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YOBS PUT FUTURE OF CHOIR AT RISK

by Andrew Turton

A LADIES choir in Dudley has been forced to search for a new home because of a spate of vandal attacks by yobs. Members of the Ellenvale Singers, many of whom are retired, are looking for new premises after admitting they were unwilling to risk a return to their rehearsal base at the Darby and Joan Club, Lower Gornal, after their cars were attacked.

The group has been performing for 34 years but some members fear they may not be able to continue with the choir if the vandal attacks continue.

Windows of cars parked near the club were smashed while other vehicles had wing mirrors ripped off by youths on February 8. Hundreds of pounds of damage was caused.

Practise sessions at the club have now been cancelled over fears of further attacks.

Around 40 singers are members of the group which has raised more than £100,000 for charity while performing over the decades.

Peter Guest, aged 72, whose wife Freda, 71, is a member of the choir, said the vandalism had happened for several weeks with cars also being scratched.

Frightening

"It is very frightening for them – it is very sad because over 34 years they have raised a considerable amount of money for charity," he said.

"This caused the choir to cancel their normal practice until further notice, until a new venue is found.

"A few members are seriously considering whether they can afford to remain part of the choir if this vandalism continues."

Another member of the choir, who did not want to be named, said: "We do not want to disband – not with the thought that children have forced us to do that."

West Midlands Police said they are investigating the vandalism and would be stepping up patrols.

Spokesman Lee Page said: "We will be meeting with the members of the club to discuss crime prevention and security measures which can be taken and also to reassure them about our ongoing efforts to reduce anti-social behaviour in the area."

Robbers use hammer to attack van

HAMMER-wielding robbers on a scrambler motorbike injured a security van driver as they snatched a cash box at a busy Dudley petrol station.

Police, who are appealing for witnesses to the robbery in Woodsetton, described it as a "nasty" attack. The two masked men pulled up at the Total garage at 9.30am on Monday.

The pair demanded the box from the cash-in-transit delivery driver and tried to force open the door of the van during the attack in Sedgley Road. The 34-year-old driver's foot was injured in the struggle as he tried to lock the vehicle.

One of the men smashed the van's side window with a hammer before grabbing the cash box and riding off on the bike along Bramford Drive.

Witnesses have reported seeing red smoke as they drove off, which may have been coming from a security device used to mark notes as a cash box is forced open.

Police are not revealing the amount stolen but said it was a "substantial quantity of cash."

Det Sgt Mick Greenland, from West Midlands Police CID, said: "This was a determined and nasty attack on the cash delivery driver. Anyone with information can call Force CID at Smethwick Police Station on 101. Security Plus declined to comment.

Sarah puts her training to the test

Sarah Oakley at the Merry Hill Centre, Dudley, prepares to raise money for Cancer Research by run ning the London Marathon.

A FIRST-TIME marathon runner from Dudley is preparing to put her training to the test in the hope of helping a charity.

Sarah Oakley, an administration assistant at Dudley Council, first put on her running shoes in June last year.

Now the 37-year-old is gearing up to tackle the London Marathon in aid of Cancer Research UK on April 22.

She needs to raise a minimum of £2,000 for the charity to be able to join the race but is well on the way to meeting the target after raising more than £900 during a collection at Sainsbury's, Merry Hill. Miss Oakley, who is a member of Stourbridge Running Club, said: "I chose Cancer Research because it's a worthwhile charity which is close to my heart as I have known and worked with people who have had cancer. It's something that affects a lot of people. I want to raise as much money as possible for the charity. I am so grateful to everyone who has donated and for Sainsbury's letting me collect at the store." To sponsor Miss Oakley go to www.runningsponsorme.org/sarahoakley

Proposal to reopen street as main route

PLANS to revamp a run-down area of Dudley town centre have been revealed as part of a multi-million pound regeneration blueprint.

King Street could be reopened as a main commuter route through the town after being converted into a bus lane about five years ago.

The council has started a search for tenants for the empty shops along the road, which stretches across the town alongside the High Street.

The authority has also vowed to refurbish the frontages of the vacant units. It comes as a £550,000 project to refurbish council offices in King Street begins with staff set to move in over the summer.

More than 150 staff from the human resources department will move into Regent House as a number of council offices across the town are shut.

The decision to close part of King Street to traffic proved controversial and led to fears that the area would become abandoned.

Under the new plans the road would be open to all traffic in a bid to attract more people to that part of the town. Council chiefs believe it would also make driving around the town easier and improve access to the centre.

Figures on repossession

MORE than 3,900 families faced losing their homes in the Black Country and Staffordshire last year, latest Government figures reveal.

The highest numbers of people taken to court by mortgage lenders or landlords were in Walsall and Wolverhampton. Figures released by the Ministry for Justice show in Dudley, 405 mortgage and 535 landlord repossession orders were made and in Staffordshire 350 were granted.

Millions to be spent on council housing

MILLIONS of pounds will be spent fitting energy efficient heating systems, new kitchens and bathrooms at council houses across Dudley.

The council has announced a programme of improvements for hundreds of properties over the next five years.

Under the plans around £8million will be spent replacing 750 electric storage heating systems gas ones.

Central heating will be installed in 600 homes while 800 boilers will be upgraded or replaced.

Workers will also be replacing around 3,500 kitchens or bathrooms in a £12m programme of internal improvements.

It includes replacing more than £4m of windows with modern, energy efficient double glazed units each year between 2012/13 and 2016/17.

Around £13m will be spent adapting houses for people with disabilities over the next five years.

The council has also included in the budget around £55m of improvements in empty properties to ensure they can be relet.

A report detailing the work in the council's Dudley Housing Capital Programme has been drawn up and will go before members at a meeting on Monday.

Delight as cutting back

RESIDENTS say they are delighted after Dudley Council said it would cut grass verges left overgrown for a year as the authority tried to save £30,000.

The council upset families last summer when it stopped cutting grass on all steep banks. But it has now said it will start cutting the verges again in April.

Council transport chief Patrick Harley said the cash would come from extra savings.

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Man may have lain dead for months

A RECLUSIVE former grocer may have lain dead at his Black Country home for months, an inquest heard.

Michael Truby was found by police officers at his address in Mount Road, Halesowen, on December 19.

They were called in by neighbours who were concerned they had not seen the 78-year-old in some time. Smethwick Coroners Court last week was told Mr Truby's body was heavily decomposed and a calendar on the wall had not been changed since the end of July.

Letters, some of them dating back to July or August, were found piled up behind the front door when police entered the house.

A bottle of medication, also dated July and believed to be the last Mr Truby collected, was also discovered.

Black Country coroner Robin Balmain recorded a verdict of death by natural causes – despite the decomposition of the body making it impossible for a clear cause of death to be found.

Mr Balmain was told a post mortem revealed Mr Truby's heart to be enlarged.

He had diabetes and suffered from cardiac problems.

Pc Peter Harrison told the inquest there were no signs the property had been broken into and nothing visible which would have caused Mr Truby harm.

Mr Truby's cousin Sally Jones said her relation had been eccentric and chose to live as a recluse.

She added Mr Truby had even refused to have a telephone fitted at his home.

Station closures to put more bobbies on beat

Controversial overnight closures of front offices at five Midland police stations will help get more than 25 officers back on the beat, the force's top officer has revealed.

West Midlands Police's Chief Constable Chris Sims said moves to shut Dudley, Halesowen, Stourbridge, Wednesfield and Bloxwich at night would allow officers to be released from control room duties to the streets.

Front offices of stations are underused and the force needs to develop new ways of communicating, said Mr Sims.

Bloxwich is the only station of the five that will open slightly longer than the others following a public consultation.

Mr Sims said: "We've modified some decisions made in terms of opening hours to fit to the feedback we have had.

"They're not major changes but on a local level people will see them as significant. A big part of the reason for doing this is it allows us to release officers on to patrol more quickly. That will be at least 25 officers. I think it is a reasonable compromise.

Future

"We can say we're not going to go back onto this issue in the future but in the longer term we will be looking at the estate more generally.

"As people's lifestyles change, police stations are not necessarily what people think about. We need think about how we contact people rather than getting completely hooked on the opening times of a building."

Officers on control room duties will be freed for frontline duties when the changes come into effect. Their roles will be filled by front office staff. The force had planned to shut 12 stations between 6pm to 10am each day.

Engineering industry is in need of new blood

THE NEW president of the region's Chamber of Commerce says more engineering graduates are needed to fill a shortfall in the Black Country's manufacturing industry.

Cradley Heath solicitor Paul Bennett, who will take up the post in April, says firms are struggling to replace retiring skilled workers.

He believes more training courses should be made available to teach students these vital skills and believes the creation of University Technical Colleges could be the way forward.

"Talking to our members, they are keen to recruit and invest," said Mr Bennett.

"The challenge is to try to attract people, particularly the significant number of young people that are unemployed, into manufacturing and engineering.

"The biggest challenge I think for this area is to ensure we do not skip a generation or a number of generations in terms of their opportunities to work."

Mr Bennett, who is a senior partner at George Green Solicitors and is Dudley chamber president, has been out to visit colleges in the area to see the work they are doing with students.

Yow cor beat a bit of panto

Aladdin, who is to be played by 12-year-old Alicia Nelson, with other cast members

ALADDIN and his mates are rubbing their lamp to make sure they put on a bostin' panto – with a Black Country twang.

Hurst Hill Pantomime Players in Hurst Road, Coseley, will be staging the show, written by member Kathryn Williams, at Hurst Hill Methodist Church.

It includes Black Country dialect and references to local places. Twelve-year-old Alicia Nelson is taking on the lead role of Aladdin.

There will be two performances on each of the Saturdays February 25 and March 3 – at 2.30pm and 7.30pm – and just one show at 7.30pm on March 2.

Tickets cost £4.50 for adults and £3.50 for children and are available from Kathryn Williams on 01902 675058.

Museum earns a massive accolade

THE Black Country Living Museum in Dudley has been named one of the most culturally significant sites in the world.

The attraction, in Tipton Road has been recognised by Arts Council England with its prestigious "Designation" accolade, after judges were wowed by the rich history behind the exhibits.

Museum chairman John Hughes said that the lengthy application process had been tough, but worthwhile.

"I am absolutely thrilled we have gained this internationally recognised accolade," he said.

"The award is a fitting tribute to the museum, the Black Country and the many hundreds of people who have campaigned, developed and supported us over the last 40 years."

Chief executive Andrew Lovett added: "This is not just good for the museum, it's good for the whole Black Country."

Councils across the region paid tribute to the museum's importance in attracting visitors from across the country and abroad.

Prize offer for carers

FILLING in a survey about services in Dudley could win 50 young carersa prize.

Organisations working with younger carers want to know what they think of the support available and how it can be improved.

Up to 50 young people who complete the survey will receive vouchers for a trip. The survey is open to carers aged between 13 and 25 at http://youngcarers.posterous.com/young-carers-13-25-survey

A £1,500 grant has been put towards the prizes.

Call 01384 818723 for a hard copy.

Council on TV

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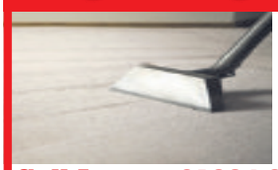

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Free town parking ruled out

FREE parking has been ruled out as a solution to Dudley's problems by council leader Les Jones.

It comes after the town was named the worst in the country for empty shops – with 29 per cent unused.

Traders have campaigned for years for free parking to attract more customers.

But Councillor Jones said there was "no quick fix" and the authority would not consider abolishing charges at some car parks.

Some 55 new on-street spaces have already been created by getting rid of double yellow lines.

Councillor Jones said: "Free parking is not a panacea and there is no quick fix.

"We feel that short-term on-street free parking is the way forward as car parks cost money to run.

"If you have quality attractions and parking spaces then people will come."

Alan Caswell, who runs the Arcade Toy Shop in the Fountain Arcade, has campaigned for better parking facilities in the town.

He said: "We need to get more people visiting the town – and the way to do that is either free parking or improved facilities."

Cash grant for pastors

A COMMUNITY group has been praised for its work keeping revellers safe on nights out in Stourbridge.

Stourbridge Street Pastors have received agrant of £11,000 to aid their work.

The volunteers go into the town centre mainly on Saturday nights to offer help and advice to those enjoying a night out. Their work has been praised by councillors and police for helping to reduce anti-social behaviour.

Cash is from Dudley's community safety partnership, Safe and Sound, and Dudley Primary Care Trust.

Comedy thrill

A BLACK Country drama group is getting ready to stage their latest production.

The Community Players will perform comedy-thriller Secondary Cause of Death at the Oakfield Centre, Brettell Lane, Brierley Hill, from March 7 to 12. All shows begin at 7.30pm. For tickets at £6 call 01384 394349.

Battling councillor loses fight to cancer

Councillor Margaret Cowell

A COUNCILLOR who carried on serving her local community throughout an eight-year battle with cancer has died.

Margaret Cowell, aged 72, who represented Wollaston and Stourbridge Town on Dudley Council, died at Himley Mill Nursing Home, School Road, Himley. Her daughter, Jackie, and sons, Adrian and Phil, were at her bedside.

Conservative Councillor Mrs Cowell, who was also a stepmother of two and grandmother of three, was diagnosed with breast cancer soon after winning her seat in 2003.

Despite undergoing radiotherapy and surgery, she carried on working as a councillor and won two more elections.

She discovered, just over a year ago, that the disease had spread to her brain but she battled through her treatment to victory in the May elections – when daughter Jackie, a Labour campaigner, won her first council seat, Quarry Bank and Dudley Wood.

Jackie, aged 41, said: "She never let her illness interfere with the work she did – it helped to keep her going."

Councillor Cowell, of Park Road West, Wollaston, was born in Kingswinford and used to be an administrator for West Midlands Travel.

Her husband, Doug, died aged 93, soon after she discovered that her cancer had spread to her brain.

Dudley Council leader Les Jones paid tribute to Councillor Cowell. He said: "She was a very well respected and loyal councillor. She will be missed by us as well as the community she served." Councillor Jones said the start of the borough's doorstep collections of plastics and cardboard for recycling would be a legacy of Councillor Cowell.

She chaired the environmental committee that developed the plans.

Stourbridge MP Margot James said: "Margaret bore her illness with such bravery and dignity and she served the people of Wollaston and Stourbridge town exceptionally well over the years."

The date of her funeral has yet to be arranged.

Speed cameras could be an option at accident blackspot

SPEED cameras could be installed in a bid to improve safety on a road labelled one of the worst accident blackspots in the region. Calls have been made for years for action on Dudley Southern Bypass, which is used by thousands every day.

by Adam Burling

The council is now working with officers from West Midlands Police to see what measures need to be taken to improve the safety of the road.

Data from the West Midlands Casualty Reduction Scheme has revealed in Dudley there were a total of 508 crashes with four fatalities between June 2010 and last May.

The Dudley Southern Bypass, also known as Duncan Edwards Way, ranked as the borough's worst blackspot, with 17 incidents.

The figures also show there have 18 people killed in crashes on routes throughout the Black Country in that time.

Transport chief Councillor Patrick Harley said: "We are aware of people's concerns about the road and we are looking into measures that can be taken if we feel it is appropriate.

"I would stress though that I do not believe this is a dangerous road. The problem is the drivers."

He also insisted there was "no chance" of pedestrian crossings being installed near the Cinder Bank island – despite complaints since highways chiefs ruled out any work being done along the road last year.

Officers say there is too much street furniture in the area already and more could interfere with the visibility of drivers and pedestrians.

Financial

The council has vowed to look at the bypass with a view to any work being done in the next financial year – with detailed research would be carried out first to discover the best approach to any improvements.

A report to councillors says that members of the public had already requested speed equipment be installed along the road with a view to preventing "boy racers" using the bypass.

Sign up to fitness walks

MORE than 100 walkers have signed up to a fitness programme in Halesowen.

Volunteer walk leaders run the popular walking session every Monday morning at the Leasowes. Part of Dudley Council's Walk Fit programme, the free activity enables people to take on exercise in the fresh air. Nordic walking classes also take place at the Leasowes on Mondays at 5.30pm. For information visit www.dudley.gov.uk/walkfit or call Kim Braznell on 01384 816992 or 07799 070089.

Kitchen team leader Russ Warner, front, with back from left, deputy manager Kieran Butterworth and trainee manager Billy Martin at Harvester in Halesowen

Cooking up some new grub

A MASTERCHEF-STYLE panel of children will get to pass judgement on a pub's new menu as part of a drive to get youngsters interested in food and creating their own meals.

The Foxhunt, in Halesowen, is appealing for children who know their carrots from their cucumbers to design their own dishes and meals and possibly become a head chef of the future.

The Harvester pub, which is on the Hagley Road West, is offering six youngsters, who are under the age of 10, the chance to form a panel of judges and decide what sort of dishes will appear on the new menu the pub will then serve.

To be in with a chance of becoming a 'Young Guest Head Chef', bosses want children to design their own dish.

The youngsters can choose from a list of ingredients, ranging from baked beans to broccoli, and explain why it is their perfect meal.

Harvester pub manager Matthew Turner said: "We want to make sure that we reflect exactly what children want, so what better way to do this than by getting the kids involved themselves."

NEWS in brief

Variety time to help save church

A VARIETY show will help boost funds for a campaign to reopen a landmark Dudley church.

The St John's Church Preservation Group is raising money to restore the building in Kates Hill to its former glory.

The show will be at the Quality Hotel, Dudley this Thursday (Feb 23) from 7.30pm. Tickets cost £3 on the door. The church will the centre of a talk by chairman Deb Brownlee and author Chris Smith at Dudley Library at 2.30pm on February 29.

Aerospace firm goes up for sale

SHARES in Brierley Hill-based Hampson Industries plunged on the stock exchange after news the aerospace group was putting itself up for sale.

The firm employs just a handful of staff at its offices at Waterfront West, with most of its factories now in the US, where it has suffered a string of production problems.

Most recently it has had issues over testing and customer approval of its largest tooling order, delaying deliveries by months.

Local society has just gotta dance

A GROUP will perform songs and dance routines made famous by stage and screen musicals later this month.

Quarry Bank Operatic Society will host the concert, Gotta Dance, Gotta Sing, at the Cornbow Hall, in Hagley Street, Halesowen, from February 29 to March 3. The shows will feature songs from The Lion King and Ghost.

Male choir will perform concert

A BLACK COUNTRY male voice choir will give a concert on February 25.

The Gentlemen Songsters, from Kingswinford, will perform at The Methodist Centre, Dudley Port Church, Tividale Street, Tipton at 7.30pm.

Tickets cost £6 and are available on the door or online at methodistcentredp@yahoo.co.uk

Plea to relatives

OFFICIALS trying to find relatives of Mrs Sandra Palmer, aged 65, who died at her home in Queensway, Wollescote, on February 3 have asked them to call 0845 3527481.

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES

A READER writes: "If naming a beer Top Totty is demeaning to some women, isn't naming a cheese Stinking Bishop offensive to clergy?"

Only the smelly ones.

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"TEMPTERS rise to 11" (television subtitle on a weather forecast). And more dodgy subtitles, this time from a financial programme: "You've got to have the right monkey-making attitude."

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SCIENTISTS have confirmed, using tiny tracking devices, that a tiny songbird, the northern wheatear, migrates from the Arctic to Africa and back, a distance of up to 18,000 miles.

And here's another fascinating fact about the wheat ear. What does the name mean?

The answer is absolutely nothing. It is a cleaned-up version of its ancient name and if you see a flash of white as the wheat ear flies away, all is understood. Our ancestors called it the white arse.

And don't even ask about the cuckoo pint.

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STAFFORDSHIRE Fire and Rescue Service already has more than the average quota of women firefighters but is seeking more. Why?

This is how a Welsh woman firefighter put it in an earlier recruitment campaign: "The reason we want to get women firefighters in is to challenge the stereotypical images of firefighters being big and butch and white and male."

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A FRIEND of mine is a qualified counsellor in the process of setting up a website to promote her caring, nurturing, empathising and endlessly patient services.

She was irritated to discover that pullyourselftogether.com has already been taken.

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AH, but it worked so well in the laboratory. Home of the Future (C4) introduced us to the thumbprint-operated door lock.

These microchip gizmos will not unlock the door until they have recognised your thumbprint and detected a pulse, which prevents burglars chopping off your thumb and using it to get in.

The snag is that the proud householder in this series is a car mechanic whose burned, blistered and cut thumbs are rarely the same two nights running, so the lock refuses to let him into his own house.

This is a cautionary tale for our time. The inventors are fully aware of modern criminality but appear to know little about something called manual labour.

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MORE from the list of good things about growing old: Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Wildlife group on list to share £7.5m

A GROUP that works to create and enhance wildlife habitats across the Midlands is in the running for a share of a £7.5 million grant.

The Government money would make the region the country's first Nature Improvement Area. Funding will be used to increase and improve wildlife habitats.

It would also be used to help involve the community in projects in Sandwell, Wolverhampton, Dudley, Walsall and Birmingham.

The scheme, by the Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Group, is one of 15 proposals on the short list, but only 12 will receive funding from a £7.5m pot. Neil Wyatt, chief executive of the the Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Group, said: "The Nature Improvement Area is a unique opportunity to engage the 2.2 million people who live and work within the area.

"It provides opportunities for volunteering, taking part in biological recording and monitoring, engaging with the work of the Nature Improvement Area partners and better enjoying the area's green spaces and wildlife."

Mr Wyatt said in addition to the typically urban environment, Birmingham and the Black Country comprises of many other types of land including semi-natural habitats, urban common and countryside.

If granted the funding, it will put Birmingham and the Black Country Wildlife Group's Nature Improvement Area at the forefront of urban conservation. In less than thirty years some fifty nature reserves have been established in the region.

Home campaigners to meet inquiry officials

CAMPAIGNERS have been granted face-to-face meetings with officials leading a consultation into the future of a closure-threatened care home in Kingswinford.

They demanded talks with charity Age UK Dudley which has been tasked with investigating the possiblities regarding New Bradley Hall.

Dudley Council had earmarked the home for closure, but recently called for a rethink over the decision and launched a consultation. Five meetings will be held throughout March by the charity.

This will form part of the 12-week consultation.

Charity chief officer Sally Huband said issues raised during the focus group events will contribute to consultation findings.

"Age UK Dudley is committed to ensuring the widest possible opportunities are offered to residents, families, friends, other stakeholders and members of the public to contribute to this consultation," she said.

Families

"We will be contacting New Bradley Hall directly to ask how the residents, their families and staff would like to input their views.

"We will certainly be providing hard copies of the consultation document, we also have large print and CD versions."

The first opportunity will be on March 7 at Age UK Sedgley's base, Ettymore Road, between 2.30pm and 4.30pm. On March 8 one will be held at The Savoy Centre, Northfield Road, Netherton from 10.30am t 12.30pm.

Age UK Dudley's Merry Hill centre will host events on March 10 from 10.30am to 12.30pm and March 12 between 6.30pm and 8.30pm. The final event will be at Kingswinford Community Centre, Kingswinford high street, on March 19 from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Woman's death an accident

AN 80-YEAR-OLD woman died of multiple injuries after stepping into the path of a car, an inquest was told.

Thelma Burley was thrown into the air and landed on the bonnet of the vehicle on Norton Road, Stourbridge, at around 5pm on December 15 last year.

Police experts told the inquest at Smethwick Coroners Court the car, a Volkswagen, had been travelling at 25mph at the time.

They said all the evidence indicated Mrs Burley, who lived in Norton Road, had failed to see the vehicle or misjudged its distance, and had suddenly stepped out into the road. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

A statement from the unnamed female driver was read out by Black Country coroner Robin Balmain.

The driver, said:"I saw the woman look left and I was sure she had seen me. The woman suddenly stepped out into the road and I braked."

Senior collision investigator for West Midlands Police Sgt Richard Breeze, said: "This appears to be a case of pedestrian error. The driver did everything she could in the circumstances."

Coming clean for fashion show

Weronika Bucior and Naomi Andrews model the colourful creations for the show

DUSTERS and mop heads may not sound like they belong on the catwalk – but students at Dudley College are proving there is more to style than designer labels.

Fashion students from the college are showing off their creative flair at a show today by using household items to make clothes. They were putting the finishing touches to designs ready for the showcase.

Weronika Bucior and Naomi Andrews will model the creations made from more than 100 yellow dusters. Designers Shaun Harris who won last year's outstanding achievers award and Jen Devereux spent hours creating the designs. Mopheads were used for the shoulders of Naomi's dress.

Tentative welcome on council tax freeze

A FREEZE on council tax for Dudley residents has been broadly welcomed by the borough's MPs.

But they warn tough financial constraints will continue.

They said the move would help people suffering during the current economic downturn.

Dudley Council's cabinet has approved plans to accept a one-off £2.8million Government grant allowing the authority to freeze council tax for 12 months.

However, the authority has revealed it will raise tax in future years to cover costs.

Dudley North MP Ian Austin said most people would welcome this but other tough decisions should be taken to ease the burden on taxpayers.

Dudley South MP Chris Kelly said: "I think it is entirely right that local and central government should be working together."

Margot James, MP for Stourbridge, said: "It was absolutely right for the council to take advantage of a grant."

Tory MP James Morris, for Halesowen, said, in these hard times, this will be of some help.

Help to keep that Edge

VOLUNTEERS are still needed to help clean and maintain a beauty spot visited by thousands of people every year.

People are being asked to help carry out an ongoing programme of work at Kinver Edge which includes clearing scrub and removing litter.

People are also needed to maintain pathways, steps and bridleways during the summer months. The site is operated by the National Trust.

People interested in helping can call Laura Broadhurst on 01562 712823.

First aid classes

FIRST aid skills to be used on children and babies will be taught in Halesowen.

Stourbridge and Halesowen National Childbirth Trust will hold sessions at Lutley Community Centre, Brookwillow Road, February 25 and March 31 from 9.45-11.45am. Call 07980928341

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MP hits at cutbacks for police

AN MP who led a campaign to stop the opening hours of Dudley Police Station being reduced has hit out at cuts to police funding after the controversial plans were approved.

More than 2,500 residents and businesses backed a petition drawn up by Dudley North MP Ian Austin.

But despite public outcry, the plans which will see the opening hours of 7am to 10pm change to 10am to 6pm, have been approved by West Midlands Police.

The move is part of the battle by West Midlands Police to save £126 million over the next four years.

It includes the loss of more than 2,250 police officers and staff posts.

But Mr Austin said cuts to police funding had gone "too far".

Last month Mr Austin invited Assistant Chief Constable Sharon Rowe to visit Dudley and meet councillors and traders.

Speaking at the time, Mr Austin said: "It feels like the town is moving backwards rather than forwards.

"It gives the impression Dudley is not worth looking after.

"People are trying to revitalise the town, this is not going to help," added Mr Austin.

Warning on virus scam

POLICE are warning people to beware of internet fraudsters who offer to fix a bogus computer virus.

A recent spate of complaints has been received by the West Mercia force, which covers the Wyre Forest district, about phone calls received out of the blue from companies warning that someone's computer has a virus and they need to access their system to fix it.

"If you get a call like this, just hang up immediately," says Ed Roberts from West Mercia Police's hi-tech crime unit. "Don't let them have remote access to your computer and under no circumstances should you give them any money."

Online feedback

RESIDENTS in Worcestershire can give feedback on county council services and suggest possible improvements via a new website page. The online suggestion scheme can be accessed at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/suggestions

Borough jobs can bounce back, says chief

DUDLEY'S regeneration chief believes the borough can bounce back from the latest rise in unemployment.

New figures show job queues are getting longer in Dudley, Kidderminster and across the West Midlands.

In Dudley borough, the Jobseeker's Allowance claimant count had risen by 5.4 per cent.

The claimant count increased by 389 to 10,371 between October and December which is above the national rate of 4.1 per cent.

But Councillor Angus Adams said he believed the situation will get better. Dudley Council is due to start work on a multi-million pound project to link Dudley Zoo, the Black Country Living Museum and Dudley Canal Trust from Tipton Road and Castle Hill.

Encourage

Councillor Adams said he hoped the investment in this area of the town would encourage new businesses and investment.

"It is grim at the moment but I think it will pick up soon. Hopefully with what we are doing in Castle Hill will inspire others to follow," he said. Dudley is also pushing to be a pilot for shops guru Mary Portas to regenerate the high street as the town has been listed as the worst in the country when it comes to empty shops.

Meanwhile in Kidderminster and Wyre Forest the claimant count was up 171 to 2,4031, or four per cent.

The district has been hit hard on the jobs front in recent weeks with both carpet maker Brintons and luxury boat manufacturer Sealine axing more than 200 posts. Wyre Forest District Council leader Councillor John Campion said: "It is very tough out there at the moment but we as a council are doing all we can to support individuals and communities.

"There are a number of schemes we are working on to bring more businesses into the area.

Investing

"We are also investing in this sector. It is a difficult time but we are doing all we can to fix it."

Unemployment surged by 13,000 between October and December, giving the region a total of 247,000 people out of work the Office for National Statistics revealed.

That's neat that tiger feat as zoo drops in two big cats

HISTORY was made at Dudley Zoo with the arrival of two female tigers in an operation that has taken almost a year of planning. It is the first time more than one big cat has been kept in an enclosure at the zoo in its 75-year history. The two tigers were carefully craned into their new home.

The animals were transported into the big cat enclosure in a manoeuvre involving more than a dozen senior staff.

Fifteen-month-old Amur tiger Tschuna and fourteen-month-old Daseep, a Sumatran, were transferred from Wuppertal Zoo, in Germany.

Staff in Dudley spent the last 11 months planning how to lower the cats into the enclosure in meetings with workers from the German zoo.

The operation took just over two hours to complete by which time the tigers were settling into their new home in one of the site's historic Tecton buildings.

They were lifted into the enclosure using a large crane and two crates. Staff said it was a complex process as the crane had to be moved very slowly to avoid distressing the animals.

Detailed

Zoo chief executive Peter Suddock said: "We are just over the moon with the new girls, they are beautiful.

Mr Suddock said: "It is wonderful to see them in there, and hopefully, within the next year we will have a Sumatran male to carry on our breeding programme.

"We are just delighted to have such an important and rare species back at the zoo."

The zoo hopes to get a male tiger later this year.

Mr Suddock added: "It is the first time in 75 years since the zoo opened to the public that we have moved more than one big cat at the same time into this enclosure."

The tigers will remain quarantined within their Tecton enclosure for six months.

Keepers were hoping to introduce them to visitors this week.

Tschuna takes a tentative step into her new home at Dudley zoo

Daseep makes herself at home in the enclosure

Daseep is moved out of the transporter ready to be craned in

Jobs will be transferred as Helix sold

LYE SCHOOL and office equipment supplier Helix has been sold as a going concern to international stationery firm Maped SA.

The sale to the French-based group was for an undisclosed sum. Helix, in Engine Lane, went into administration last month. The company employs 38 people in the town and all will transfer to the firm's new owners.

Adminstrator Paul Addison of Grant Thornton said: "We are very pleased to have been able to secure the future of the Helix business.

"Helix and Oxford are well-known brands, which attracted substantial interest from many UK and overseas companies. As a competitor to Helix, Maped's strategic purchase of the business makes a great deal of sense, now allowing them to significantly invest in the brands and grow the business both in the UK domestic market and internationally.

"We are also delighted that the employees based at Helix's head office in Lye will transfer to the company's new owners."

The rulers, protractors and pencil cases made in the heart of the Black Country were a part of generations of British children's school days.

Helix's origins go back 125 years as the Universal Woodworking Company, started by the Lawson family in Balsall Heath, Birmingham.

From the initial wooden rulers, the company grew to produce a wide range of scholastic items including metal compasses, erasers and pencil sharpeners.

The maths sets the firm first started making in 1912 became an essential for youngsters going to secondary school.

Call of the wildlife

NATURE enthusiasts can discover more about Worcestershire's wildlife at a series of courses run by Worcestershire Wildlife Trust starting on March 10. For more details go to www.worcswildlifetrust.co.uk/courses or book on 01905 754919.

NEWS in brief

Mayor's charity prizes unveiled

THE PRIZES up for grabs at the Dudley mayor's charity ball have been unveiled.

They include a bicycle, a football signed by the Wolves team, wine and a television. The event takes place on March 23 at The Copthorne Hotel, Brierley Hill, from 7.15pm with proceeds going to the mayor's charities – Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families and Russells Hall Hospital' leukaemia unit.

Tickets cost £34 and are available on 01384 815211 or emailing christine.skelding@dudley.gov.uk

Work to start on council housing

CONSTRUCTION work is due to start on a £2.6 million council home development in the heart of the Black Country.

Developer Lovell is building 24 houses in Orchard Street, Brierley Hill, to replace a row of outdated properties.

They will be added to the council's housing stock and include two, three and four bedroom houses and two bedroom bungalows. Work is due to be finished by November.

Walking on air at charity event

THIS year marks the 21st anniversary of Midlands Air Ambulance and to celebrate, the charity has teamed up with Rock Pound the Bounds for a sponsored walk.

The annual walk starts at Rock, Worcestershire, on May 6. There will be a variety of routes for people of all abilities.

People can try the 25, 18, 12, six or three-mile courses.

A tree-mendous way to help out

A SPONSORED walk will raise cash for cancer organisations in the Black Country.

It has been organised by the Rainbow Breast Reconstruction group and will be held at Bodenham Arboretum, Wolverley, on April 10. Call the group, which meets at the White House, Dudley, on 01384 231232 or 01384 393077.

£4,400 collection

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School faces second bill as thieves strike again

A DUDLEY school which had already been landed with a £140,000 bill by metal thieves now faces having to fork out another £10,000 after its roof was attacked yet again.

Raiders who climbed on to the roof of Jessons CE Primary left a trail of destruction, ripping off tiles in a desperate search for lead.

But there was no lead left to steal – because repeated attacks over the last two years led to the school having to carry out £140,000 of repairs.

At the same time, the school decided to replace all the lead with a non-metallic sealant to deter future thieves.

"We thought we'd finally got rid of the problem," said headteacher Lucy Griffiths.

Ripped

"But now they've come back and ripped up every single roof joint and ripped off tiles. You'd have thought that, after not finding lead in the first few, they'd have left – but they just carried on. It is soul destroying."

The latest attack was discovered after a contractor working on another roof nearby spotted the destruction in School Street.

"It's all the more annoying because we haven't got any lead on the roof any more. We had it all replaced in the summer because of previous lead thefts," added Mrs Griffiths, who has been head of the school for 19 years.

"We didn't think about an attempt to steal lead from the roof because we haven't got any left and thought we wouldn't have that problem any more. It's more money we would much rather spend on our pupils."

Headteacher Lucy Griffiths on the roof where the damage was caused

Group in administration

AN ENGINEERING and shopfitting group based in Belbroughton, near Stourbridge, has gone into administration.

David Bennett and David Dunckley of Grant Thornton have been appointed joint administrators of Estrella Group, of Mill Pool, Nash lane. Estrella was founded in 2004.

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Once we had a country that we all held very dear,
Now today, we are not safe because we all live in fear.
A country once so great you were proud to belong,
How can our politicians continually get so much wrong?
We have criminals treated better than their victims today,
Yes, it does seem that as a nation we have clearly lost our way.
Yes the state of our country today is a crying shame,
And it is our politicians who are clearly to blame.
Our country I think it may be too late to save,
And no doubt our soldier heroes are turning in their grave.

MICHAEL F SAMPSON
Kingswinford,
Dudley

No point in becoming Dudley city

I FOR one am not in favour of Dudley becoming a city.

Living in Coseley, which came under the jurisdiction the Dudley Metropolitan Borough in 1966 with the boundary changes, if anything we ought to revert back to the urban district councils.

At least they looked after the community, and its welfare, which is more than can be said for coming under the DMBC.

We had our own police station, fire station, refuse bins emptied twice a week, road and drain cleaning on a regular basis, and with the foresight of that Coseley Urban District Council we had our own swimming pool. Now what have we got?

No police station, no fire station, no swimming pool, refuse bags emptied once a week.

Rarely do we see the roads or drains cleaned, except in November when the roads are cleaned just before the Remembrance Day Parade.

Now Dudley Council wants to spend millions on revamping the market place. What the hell for?

They spent more than £1m on Stone Street Square not far away from the market place – and what use has it served? There was £1m on the Council Plus building and now I believe plans are in the pipeline for it to be on the move again.

We mustn't forget all the vast amount of money that has been spent on a leisure centre in south of the borough, just recently a sum of £474,000. And the best part is, it's still got an uneven floor. How much money does it need to get the floor even?

No! I am not in favour of Dudley becoming a city. To me there are far more important things to deal with.

MRS P A JORDAN
Peartree Lane
Coseley

Apply the law to the owners of cruise ship

IT SEEMS sailing too close to the shoreline in an unauthorised, unscheduled and unplanned manoeuvre was not unusual in the case of a particular Italian ship.

In fact, footage has been shown in reports of it doing just that on previous occasions.

That being the case, it must follow that the cruise company and owners must have been aware through their "black box" data recordings' that it was happening and took no steps, until now of course.

Therefore, on the basis that maritime law was being broken and knowingly so, the company should also be held to account in a court of law along side the unfortunate but irresponsible captain.

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NHS care will suffer if changes go ahead

IF MR Cameron has his way, under proposed changes to the NHS, hospitals such as Russells Hall, will be allowed to earn up nearly 50 percent of their income from private patients.

In reality this means that cash strapped hospitals entering the market place, will compete with each other for private patients. The number of NHS beds will be reduced, as hospitals search for profit. Pandering to the incentive of "going private" will involve the opportunity to jump NHS waiting lists. Those hospitals unable to raise sufficient revenue would face closure.

Already, Russells Hall is in crisis situation over a reduced capacity in maternity beds. Prospective mothers have been booked to have their babies in other hospitals.

A spokesperson for Russells Hall, has said the feasibility of increasing capacity is being looked into. If the study does lead to an increase in beds and Mr Cameron's plans are allowed to become law, the increased capacity may well be over run by newly privatised sector patients.

EDWARD DAVIES,
Stourbridge, Dudley

It's little wonder UK has few jobs

DURING my years as a sales representative, (1965 - 1981) I developed a "theory". The so-called Queen's Award to Industry for Exports was detrimental, as well as an incentive. Life since then has proved me right.

During my career, one of my customers was Courtaulds Engineering. One of their main lines was textile making machinery, which was sold all over the world, for which they earned the Queen's Award. So called "under-developed countries" purchased this machinery and started making materials, which were then sold back to the UK.

At a meeting in London one of the speakers was an MP, who said "we are actively encouraging industry to leave the UK".

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Social group committee members and company managers in 1977

Stourbridge garage staff on a fishing trip in 1982

The last stop . . . staff on the day Stourbridge garage closed in 1985

End of the road . . . buses taken out of service in 1980

Bryan Bush with his scrapbooks of memories

Former bus driver stops to remember his routes

MEMORY LANE

by Lee Watton

A £7 MILLION scheme that has changed Stourbridge Bus Station beyond recognition has rekindled memories of the old site for one long-time worker.

Bryan Bush started out as a driver in 1962 and worked there and its neighbouring garage until 1985.

The 73-year-old, of Maypole Drive, Stourbridge, says while nothing now remains of either the original station or garage he still has fond memories of both and the people who worked there.

Redevelopment of the Foster Street East site will create a bus interchange with a new concourse and subway link but Mr Bush says things had been very different when he started working there.

The station had been split in two with the old railway station, which was then the main line, at the centre of the site. But the big difference was that opposite the station stood a garage where the buses were stored and maintained. The vehicles also used to leave this site to begin their daily journeys.

That is now occupied by the Mercedes Benz dealership but at one time it was one of the biggest employers in the town with around 200 staff working there.

Mr Bush later became an acting inspector and then a union chairman and finally a liaison officer.

"The garage was a bustle of activity in those days as buses continually left and entered the site while on their journeys," he says.

"We had vehicles going out to all areas such as Worcester, Ludlow and Kidderminster along with the closer destinations such as Cradley Heath and outlying parts of Stourbridge.

"I worked there until 1985 when the garage was finally closed. It was a shame as it was a great place to work and at the time a lot of people were employed there."

Mr Bush says staff were a close knit team and went on social events, including fishing trips.

The garage was demolished soon after its closure on January 26, 1985, marking the end of an era.

Staff gathered for one last photograph of their final day before they were transferred to depots in Hartshill, Dudley and Quinton as part of West Midlands Travel's rationalisation plans. But Mr Bush says many keep in touch and meet for regular reunions.

The replacement, built to bring the split station together, cost £147,000, was demolished last year.

"The recent work at the site is the second major change I can remember happening at the station," says Mr Bush, who worked on the buses for nearly 40 years.

"However, I am sure there will be people who continue to think fondly of the old station and before that the garage."

Staff pull a retiring driver's bus into Stourbridge garage in 1978

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Fire chairman hits out at station campaigners

THE West Midlands Fire Authority chairman has hit out at campaigners behind a legal bid to save Halesowen Fire Station.

Controversial plans to shut the station and axe one of two 24-hour crews serving the area were approved by the authority in November last year.

But a legal fight to overturn the closure and fire crew plans has now been kick-started with campaigners raising £10,000 in an attempt to have a judicial review held into the decision.

Halesowen Fire Station, in Hagley Road, is set to close on March 31 with a new station built at an as-yet undecided location.

Unnecessary

But Sandwell Councillor John Edwards, chairman of the fire authority, says a judicial review could cause a delay to proposals for the replacement covering Halesowen and Cradley Heath.

Two consultation events will be held in March when artist impressions of the new base will go on display.

But Councillor Edwards said if the review went ahead it could: "cause unnecessary delay and expense which would be bad news for everyone".

He added: "We are keen to move as quickly as possible to provide a brand new community fire station to cover people in the Halesowen and Cradley Heath areas.

"I also want to provide certainty for our firefighters and station staff."

Venue hitting right note

Pub owner Tony Finch, left, with friends Mark Reid, right, Jack Daniels

A NEW live music venue in Dudley has been striking the right chord with music fans.

The Spareroom at the Saracen's Head pub in Stone Street has welcomed a host of musicians and bands from across the country since it opened 10 weeks ago.

Next up will be Scottish band The Law of the Chord on March 7 followed by Wolverhampton-based Fly by Nature and Cardiff group Cliome on March 9. Junk Monkey will be on stage on March 30. Owner Tony Finch said he wanted to provide a venue where new bands from the borough and further afield could perform.

"The aim of the Spareroom is to give a platform for new musicians and bands. There are not many places in Dudley offering this chance. It's going very well so far."

During the day the venue, which is open until 3am, serves food. Bands interested in performing should visit: **www.spare roomars.co.uk** for more details.

Help with using internet

TWO technology champions have been recruited for a library in Stourbridge to help people get to grips with the internet.

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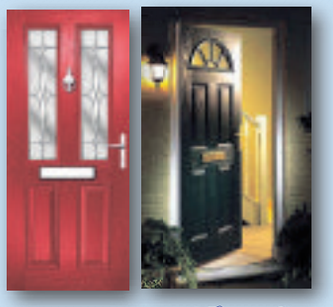

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NHS shake-up could see closure of headquarters

NHS headquarters in Dudley and Walsall could close with staff moved to other parts of the Black Country under a shake-up of services.

Hundreds of staff would be moved to bases in Sandwell and Wolverhampton as part of the re-organisation of primary care trusts in the region.

St John's House, which is the main offices for NHS Dudley in Union Street, and NHS Walsall's headquarters Jubilee House, Bloxwich Lane, could fully or partly shut, affecting 550 positions.

The jobs would be relocated to Sandwell Primary Care Trust's Kingston House headquarters,West Bromwich High Street and Wolverhampton City PCT's base, Coniston House, Chapel Ash.

Structure

All four primary care trusts were brought under a single senior management structure called the Black Country Cluster last April. Health service bosses said lower numbers of staff have been occupying all four buildings due to changes being introduced as the proposed NHS reforms gather pace.

They said that in some cases staff are now working across a number of locations – leading to a review of the office space currently used. Black Country Cluster chief executive Rob Bacon said the body was carrying out a comprehensive review before changes expected in April 2013.

"No final decision has been taken and further detailed work still needs to be carried out," he said.

Cat charity needs help

CAT lovers are being asked to volunteer their time to help a charity raise funds and rehome unwanted and abandoned moggies.

The Stourbridge and District branch of Cats Protection says it needs new people to help out in a number of positions. These include running fundraising stands, helping out at its charity shop in Stourbridge and visiting the homes of prospective new owners.

James has a lion's heart

Fitness and running coach James Bickley at one of his fitness sessions

AN ATHLETE who overcame a serious heart problem as a boy to achieve sporting success is now sharing his knowledge and experience with others in the Black Country.

James Bickley, aged 24, has launched his own fitness business.

He already teaches weekly classes at Cotwall End Primary School, in Sedgley, and at the Priory School, Dudley, along with private clients.

Mr Bickley, who lives in Sedgley, has now secured a contract to hold fitness sessions for residents at a care home.

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Asda is accused of bully boy tactics in plans row

ASDA has been accused of trying to "blow apart" the democratic process by launching a planning appeal even before councillors had made a decision on a proposed store in Kidderminster.

There are also concerns the proposal by Asda to develop a site in the town could cause major traffic delays.

Wyre Forest District Council's planning committee last week decided it was "minded" to follow its officers recommendation to refuse Asda's proposal for Churchfields, on the edge of Kidderminster town centre.

But, technically, the authority could not refuse the plans because Asda has already lodged an appeal to planning inspectors in Bristol, claiming the council was taking too long in its decision.

Planning officers say they do not think Asda gave enough thought to locating the store, which would create 370 jobs, in the Eastern Gateway area, possibly on the site of the Wyre Forest Glades Leisure Centre.

They also agreed the plan, which would cover part of the former Tomkinson's carpet factory and would include a new dual carriageway from the A456 to Churchfields, should be refused.

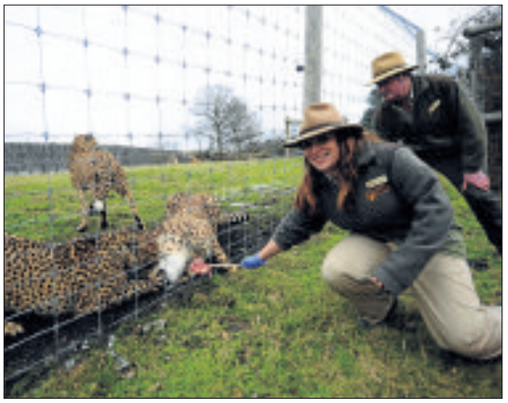
Councillor Mrs Fran Oborski said she had been "horrified" when she heard Asda had appealed before the committee even reached its decision.

"For this US-owned store to come and blow apart the democratic process – saying they don't care about our master plan for Churchfields or the Eastern Gateway – is bully boy tactics," she added.

An app way to services

WORCESTERSHIRE County Council has launched a free android app allowing residents to access to council services from their mobile phone. The app allows reporting of issues such as pot holes directly to the authority and find out information on schools and waste management.

How to meet a cheetah



Rosie Wilkes, aged 24, feeds the cheetahs at the West Midland Safari Park with help from Dave Higgins

A WEST Midland Safari Park-worker has been getting close to a group of cheetahs for her new role of taking guests on tours around the site.

Rosie Wilkes, aged 24, started her training at the attraction last week and her first task was learning how to feed the park's cheetahs.

Animal-lover Rosie, who has worked at the park for two years, said it had been an "exhilarating experience" and was looking forward to working with the animals full-time. As part of her new role, she will take guests on VIP tours, a scheme which allows people to go behind the scenes and try their hand at looking after the animals.

She will show people how to feed the cheetahs and the giraffes and how to look after the attraction's collection of Asian rhinos.

Rosie, from Kinver, will continue her training under the watchful eye of veteran guide Dave Higgins.

She said: "I have just started my training and I am really enjoying it."

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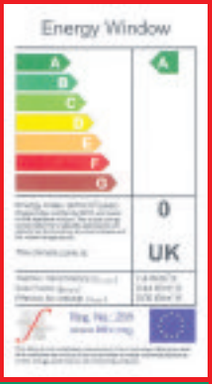

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Just a minute, you can't post that sort of time

A COUNCIL-RUN outdoor gym in the Black Country has set a tough target for couch potatoes – just to get there.

The equipment in Mary Stevens Park in Stourbridge encourages people to take more physical exercise.

But for some the workout starts before they even reach the park due to signs which underestimate the time it takes to arrive.

Six cast-iron signposts have been erected in the surrounding areas. But the sign at one park entrance says the fitness centre is just a one-minute walk away.

In fact, it would take an averagely-fit person almost three minutes to reach it.

Known as the "healthy hub", it is one of five launched by Dudley Council with the aim of increasing fitness among residents as part of the government's Healthy Towns initiative.

Junction

One signpost in Love Lane, close to the junction with Corser Street – indicates the "healthy hub" is just a one minute stroll across the park.

But Linda Powell, aged 55, of nearby Oakleigh Road, said: "When I first saw the sign, I thought it didn't seem possible to walk it in a minute – so I timed it.

"I made a brisk descent of a flight of steps, and then a steep grassy bank and it took me 2mins 48 secs to reach the hub."

Councillor David Stanley, Dudley Council's, said: the times were based on an average pace. The signposts are an eye-catching and informative way of encouraging more walking.

Linda Powell outside Mary Stevens Park with the information sign

Friendly football match

POLICE have organised a friendly football match against teenagers in a Black Country community.

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The service was launched at the Kent Road base on February 20.

The business, founded more than 110 years ago, also has branches in Cradley Heath, Edgbaston and Northfield and the new recruits bring the total workforce to 64. Forty of the workers are in Halesowen.

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Landlord lets it slide

A LANDLORD has been left stunned after council officials suggested he apply for permission to build a permanent slide at his pub – just months after he took one down due to a dispute.

John Coombes called time on the 9ft slide at The Summerhouse, Gospel End Road, Sedgley, in October after temporary planning permission expired.

He now plans to install an inflatable slide at the pub for over the spring and summer – which does not need permission on condition it is deflated at the end of each day. But Mr Coombes decided to write to South Staffordshire Council to tell the authority of his plans as a courtesy and to confirm it would not flout any regulations.

He received a letter from the authority confirming permission was not needed for the inflatable slide – but was shocked after officers recommended he re-apply for a permanent one.

Expired

Mr Coombes reluctantly decided to take down the original slide after temporary permission expired at a cost of more than £5,000.

Although he could have re-applied for permission he did not have the resources to begin the planning process all over again. Mr Coombes had battled for years to keep the slide, which was popular with youngsters, after neighbours complained about the level of noise and the time it was being used. He said: "After everything we went through with the slide I just could not believe it when I received a response from the council recommending we apply for a permanent one.

"I immediately sent an email back saying whoever sent the email obviously did not know the background to all this. In fairness we have seen the funny side but it is frustrating as well."

South Staffordshire Council spokesman Jamie Angus said, Mr Coombes has informed us of his plans to put up an inflatable slide and in our response we simply reminded him that he could still apply for permanent permission if he wanted to.

Problem of speeding

AN ACCIDENT is waiting happen as vehicles are thunder through a village near Stourbridge at speeds of up to 96mph, claims an MP.

Residents in Enville are fed up of motorists breaking the 30mph speed limit, according to South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson.

He says the stretch of the A458 which runs through the village is incredibly dangerous.

To try to combat the problem, Enville Parish Council is now planning to install a speed-indicator sign.

Mr Williamson said: "This is an accident waiting to happen."

Plea to classmates

The High Arcal School girl's hockey team in 1967 including, front row, second left, Glenis Poletti

Glenis Poletti, of Stourbridge, and Barbara Price, of Sedgley, take a trip down memory lane at High Arcal

SCHOOL friends who recently reunited after more than 30 years have organised a 50th anniversary reunion for fellow classmates to get back in touch with each other.

Glenis Poletti and Barbara Price want to hear from people who started at High Arcal School, Sedgley, in 1962. The get-together follows a series of reunions organised by the school to celebrate its own 50th anniversary last year.

The reunion, which is only for that year group, will be held at a venue in Sedgley on April 20 with former pupils asked to e-mail Mrs Poletti at egap1@btinternet.com

She said while some had attended the gatherings many had wanted to see more people from their own year group. She and Mrs Price got back in touch after a mutual friend brought them into contact following one of the reunions .

Mrs Poletti said while they had been contacted by around 70 members of their year group eager to attend, there were others who they had not been able to get in touch with.

"We have had a good response and some people are travelling in from as far as New Zealand and Canada," said Mrs Poletti, 61, from Stourbridge, attended the school from 1962 to 1969. "However there have been a few people we would love to contact but simply cannot find them."

Details over control of Victoria company

THE SHAREHOLDERS group seeking to take control of Kidderminster carpet group Victoria revealed details of its future strategy for the business.

The current board put the business up for sale after the consortium led by former chairman Alexander Anton called for the existing two non-executive directors to be replaced by four new ones, including Mr Anton. Management have claimed the consortium has failed to reveal its future plans for Victoria. Mr Anton, whose family started the business more than 115 years ago, said the proposed new directors would undertake a full strategic review. "Our strategy is based upon growing the company – both in the UK and Australia. No strategic opportunity is being ruled in or out. The key aim is to develop and enhance the business to reduce the unacceptable gap between the market valuation and net asset value," he said. Shareholders will vote on the replacement of the directors on March 6.

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Park visitors flocking to use free pub parking

A PUB landlord who opened up his car park to visitors to a nearby beauty spot after a parking fee hike says he has been "inundated".

John Coombes, who runs the Summerhouse pub, says visitors are boycotting the car park at Baggeridge Country Park, near Sedgley, following a recent rise in charges.

Many are now opting to leave their cars at the pub, in Gospel End, after Mr Coombes agreed to let country park visitors park there for free over the winter months.

He said he hoped the response would convince South Staffordshire Council to reconsider the charges and reduce them before the summer months. He said charities regularly using the country park for events had also approached him asking if they, too, could use his car park.

Fuming

Regular users of the country park were left fuming after the authority increased a day's parking at Baggeridge from £1.40 to £2.50. An hour's parking rate has also been introduced at £1.50.

Mr Coombes said: "The response to the pub allowing its car park to be used has been incredible with many visitors choosing to park here instead of at Baggeridge," he said. Mr Coombes said people did not have to visit the pub to use the car park but admitted there had been a rise in trade.

But South Staffordshire Council said visitors were still using the car park.

Spokesman Jamie Angus said: "The park is as popular as ever and we have seen a rise in people taking up our offer on season passes."

Youth joins national pool

Richard Haney who has been chosen for the England pool youth team

A TEENAGER from the Black Country has been chosen to play pool for the England youth team.

Richard Haney, aged 15, has been playing the sport since he was at primary school.

Following trials last month the pupil at The High Arcal School in Sedgley, has been picked for the England under-18 youth pool team.

His father, also called Richard, 49, from Kings Road, Sedgley, said: "He has been playing pool for the West Midlands since he was eight-and-a-half. He took part in England trials in Leicester in January and was picked." Mr Haney, who is a window fitter said his son got into the sport when he used to run The Brook pub in Woodsetton.

Travel firm on the move

A TRAVEL agents have opened a new base in Stourbridge's Ryemarket Shopping Centre. Thomas Cook moved out of its former home, the Crown Centre, in November ahead of a £50 million redevelopment project. Staff were relocated to the Merry Hill branch while new premises were found in the town. The new shop was opened by the Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Michael Evans

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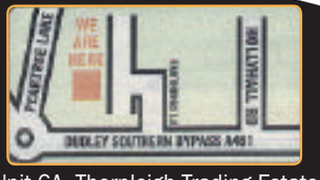

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Summer start date set for supermarket work

CONSTRUCTION of a Tesco in Stourbridge will begin in the summer. Preparatory work has started to transform the Crown Centre into the supermarket development.

The nearby Bell Street Car Park closed last week and will be demolished in April to make way for the new development.

Tesco bosses said work on the supermarket was due to begin in the summer and it is then expected to take shape quickly.

An exact start date has yet to be finalised but officials said residents would be able to see the building taking shape by December.

The new store, which has been described as the most significant regeneration development in Stourbridge for decades, is expected to create 400 jobs when it opens.

Alongside the store, there will also be a 543-space car park created as part of the new development.

Negotiations

Tesco officially took over the site in January after months of negotiations with Dudley Council to get the project off the ground.Parts of the centre have now been sealed off to the public in preparation for the work to begin with only a single entrance through the site now open.

Developer Bowmer and Kirkland has taken over former shop units and work has started to remove the centre's mosaic.

Tesco spokesman Jonathan Simpson said: "Construction work on the new development will begin in the summer. Residents will be able to see the new building coming out of the ground from December onwards."

Land Rover to fight fires

Firefighter Adam Bayliss with the brigade's new Range Rover vehicle

FIRE crews are using a Land Rover to deal with minor blazes in the Dudley area for the first time as part of a new trial.

The Land Rover Sport response vehicle will be sent to call outs such as grass and rubbish fires instead of a traditional fire engine.

It is based at Dudley Fire Station and is fitted with a range of equipment. Bosses said the move would slash costs as the service is forced to find savings up to £30 million by 2014 due to Government cuts.

When fully kitted out, the models are thought to be worth more than £80,000. West Midlands Fire Service Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Phil Loach said data would be evaluated at the end of the trial.

Help sessions at library

SESSIONS offering older residents advice are being held at Stourport Library, Worcester Street. Age UK will hold sessions at on the second Tuesday of each month from 10am until 12.30pm. Experts will offer help on subjects such as money and health. For details, visit the library or telephone 01905 822722, email StourportLib@worcestershire.gov.uk or go to www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries

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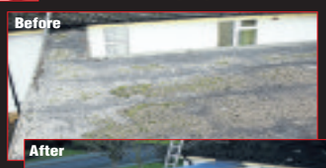

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Wharf redevelopment will help boost tourism

A MULTI-MILLION pound waterside development will transform a gateway into Stourport and bring jobs, homes and shops, under plans being drawn up to boost tourism in the town.

Developers released an artist impression of the James Brindley Wharf complex which will be created on the former Lloyds Garage site, Bridge Street. The development will have a mix of apartments and townhouses as well as shops and restaurants.

Regeneration chiefs at Wyre Forest District Council want to create a gateway linking the popular Riverside Meadows area across Bridge Street through to the historic canal basins.

Heritage

They want to build on the success of the basins area which has won heritage awards since British Waterways carried out improvements, including restoring some of the old canal buildings.

The area attracts thousands of people every year and it is hoped the new development will boost visitor numbers and also provide jobs and additional housing.

Council leader John Campion said: "The council and its partners have been working closely for some time to bring forward this boost to the Stourport economy that will increase its attraction as a visitor destination by making use of the canal basins.

"I'm particularly pleased that the local developer partnership will also see more local employment being used during the construction which is another benefit."

Fire-fighting fact finding

Councillor Sue Greenaway, left, Promise Mncube, aged 15, and Councillor Michael Evans with other youngsters from Holly Hall

TEENAGERS have been given a taste of life as a firefighter during a week-long training course at Dudley Fire Station.

Pupils from Holly Hall School, Dudley, learned a variety of safety skills during the fire education sessions. The course, run by West Midlands Fire Service, taught the them the history of the brigade and included practical activities with hoses and ladders. A pass-out parade was held at the Burton Road station and pupils demonstrated their skills in front of their families and Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Michael Evans.

Pupils were presented with certificates to mark the completition of the Fire Intervention Reparation and Education Programme.

Concert to aid charities

SONGS from the musicals will be performed at a concert to aid two charities. Brierley Hill Musical Theatre Company is hosting the event at Dudley College, The Broadway, on March 9. The concert begins at 7.30pm and tickets cost £5. Cash raised will be split between Action Heart and the Georgina Unit at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital. Last year's sell-out event made £1,400.

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Memorial bid for dog stabbed in street row

NEARLY £800 has been raised in just a week as a Black Country community mourns the loss of a much-loved dog that was stabbed to death in front of its owner. The cash will pay for a memorial for Tyson, a 12-year-old German Shepherd, which was attacked in Abbey Street, Lower Gornal by Simon Follos. Donations have flooded in from concerned neighbours since Tyson was killed.

by Adam Burling

There are now plans for a plaque to go near the spot he was stabbed.

Some of the money could also go towards metal rungs to be set up outside shops for owners to attach their dogs' collars to while shopping. A sum will also be given to dog charities.

Tyson's owner, Wayne Bird, is a familiar face around the village and is known as a local character.

More than 40 floral tributes were left outside the Darby and Joan Club in Abbey Street and residents have stopped members of Mr Bird's family in the street to show their support.

His aunt, Rose Beedles, said: "It's been unbelievable just how many people have come forward – it shows just how popular Tyson was. Pensioners coming up to me and crying and giving me their spare change.

"We want something good to come from the money."

Follos, aged 38, will be sentenced next month after pleading guilty to possessing a bladed article in public, causing unnecessary suffering to an animal, and a charge of criminal damage by destroying a dog.

Dudley Magistrates Court heard last week that Follos threatened to cut Mr Bird's throat when the dog owner walked past his house.

They argued for about 10 minutes when the dog began to bark and Follos stabbed the dog in the side of the chest.

Now it's a TV station

Extra James Gardner, aged 25, from Cannock on the set

IT WAS lights, camera, action at the Severn Valley Railway as a film crew pulled in to shoot a high-profile drama.

The railway was chosen as one of the principal locations for Dancing on the Edge, a five-part BBC production directed by Stephen Poliakoff. Key scenes were filmed inside a train at Bewdley station and the station itself was renamed South Bromley for the duration of the shoot.

The production then moved to the Kidderminster station where more scenes were filmed inside a sleeper coach.

Viewers will also see the station doubling as Folkestone when the programme

Debut novel is sticking to top slot

A BLACK Country author's novel is number one for a sixth week running – the longest stint for a debut paperback for five years.

Sales of Before I Go To Sleep by Steve Watson, from Stourbridge, have rocketed since it was chosen as the featured book in Richard and Judy's Book Club.

The novel was written while the 40-year-old, an audiology specialist, was working in London.

It reached the top of the Sunday Times paperback charts six months after it was released – and has stayed there. Paperback sales have passed 120,000, with 20,000 hardbacks and electronic versions sold.

Patients evacuated at hospital

ABOUT 30 staff and patients had to be evacuated from a hospital in the Black Country when a fire broke out in a room.

Firefighters say the room – which was badly damaged in the blaze at Bushey Fields Hospital, Dudley – could have been deliberately set alight.

The patients and staff stood outside for about 20 minutes while the fire was tackled at the psychiatric hospital from about 4.30pm on February 15.

A male patient who was staying in the room was treated for minor burns to his leg and smoke inhalation.

Lights saving plans

THE COUNCIL that covers Wyre Forest district has agreed to continue a series of pilot projects aimed at cutting costs by making changes to street lighting.

Worcestershire County Council is responsible for 52,000 street lights and 8,000 illuminated road signs, costing approximately £2million in electricity.

Street lighting also accounts for 21 per cent of the council's current carbon emissions.

As part of its carbon management and cost-saving programme, the council has been discussing a number of alternatives.

Measures include dimming the lights, converting existing lights to more energy efficient technology or turning off the lights for part of the evening.

Morrisons close to submitting new store plans

MORRISONS is close to submitting ambitious plans for a major new store in the Black Country. The supermarket said it was putting the finishing touches to its plans to demolish a store in Stallings Lane, Kingswinford, and replace it with a 40,000sq ft shop.

Bosses said the proposed scheme would be amended slightly following a consultation attended by hundreds of residents last month.

They refused to comment on which parts of the plan would be changed until a full analysis of the responses had been carried out.

This is now taking place and bosses said the work was unlikely to delay submission of the planning application which is due to take place within the next month.

Under the plans, the supermarket would be built on disused industrial land next to the existing store and create around 70 jobs.

A petrol station would also be built and the car park expanded.

Economic questions

RESIDENTS will get the chance to have their say on how the Wyre Forest district's economy can be boosted at a Question Time-style debate with a panel of experts.

The district council has organised it for people to give their views on topics such as skills, centres and business growth among others.

Residents will also be able to submit questions at the event at Kidderminster Town Hall from 6.30pm on March 7.

Police put freeze on its share of council tax

WEST Mercia Police Authority, which covers the Wyre Forest District, will not increase its part of the council tax in the coming year.

It is the second year running the force – which covers Worcestershire, Herefordshire and Shropshire – has not increased its rate.

It means, for example, the policing part of the payment for a Band D property household remains £178.72. The decision was made yesterday at force headquarters in Worcester as the authority set its budget for 2012-13.

It is the last budget the authority will set as it will be replaced by the Police and Crime Commissioners from November.

Chairman Sheila Blagg said: "The budget is a sensible one. It combines taking advantage of the special Government grant to avoid increasing the council tax."

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Help on cards for hospice

Perton Jubilee Townswomen's Guild

IN January our New Year programme began with an evening of wine and nibbles, followed by a game of play your cards right.

This was won by Norma and Gwen. We donated £25 to Acorn Hospice, raised by our members making donations instead of giving each other Christmas cards.

At our February meeting we were entertained by Will Morgan, a local folk singer. Following this with refreshments, we certainly went home with a smile on our face.

The AGM will be held in March followed by a cheese and wine evening. We meet at Perton civic centre on Perton estate next to Sainsbury's on the first Wednesday evening of each month from 7.30-9.30pm.

Cameo Ladies

CHAIRMAN Jane Emery welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2012.

This began with the AGM followed by presentation of a cheque for £500 to Georgina and Rachael from the Wolverhampton Branch of the Samaritans, the chosen charity for 2011.

A talk was then given on the work of a Samaritan. This was followed with music and singing by members Pamela, Janice and Chris.

Our next meeting will be History of the Royal Hospital" with Roy Stallard on March 5 at 7.45pm at The Mercure Goldthorn Hotel, Wolverhampton. Details on 01902 330727/844836.

Doug Smith, President of Cannock Lions with Eileen Cryer, President, SI Cannock & District

Lions club checks in with aid for project

Cannock Soroptimists

CANNOCK Soroptimists were thrilled to accept a cheque for £50 from Cannock Lions as a contribution to help fund their project on trafficking, Purple Teardrop.

President Eileen Cryer and the Club's Programme Action group leading this project were particularly pleased as another taxi firm had just agreed to become involved and the club needed to provide stickers and leaflets with the information about trafficking for a further 30 taxis in the area.

Taxis are especially important in the project as it may happen that as a direct result of them carrying the Purple Teardrop information, a woman will be alerted to the dangers of trafficking and she can then get help. Equally it may happen that a customer, perhaps troubled by something they have seen, spots the trafficking information together with the Crime Stoppers Number 0800 555 111 and is able to report it. This could result in the conviction of traffickers.

Doug Smith, President of Cannock Lions said: "We are proud to be part of such a practical initiative".

Support is a feather in RSPB cap

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DID you know that the RSPB was originally called the plume and feather club?

It was set up to discourage the use of feathers in hats that was resulting in the total extinction of some bird species.

The society was awarded a Royal Charter in 1904 and in 1911, after a campaign to save the egret, the plumage trade was abolished.

John Clews, an RSPB volunteer gave a very informative talk at our February meeting. He highlighted the work of the RSPB which is one of the largest wildlife organisations with 1,100,000 members.

In 1961 the society established its headquarters in Bedfordshire with the purchase of The Lodge for £25,000.

Volunteers

Most of the work done for the RSPB is carried out by volunteers who manage the reserves and offices, organise fund-raising and conservation programmes and are involved in education.

A constant concern for the society is the birds that are in decline. We were urged to provide food for the birds during the whole year.

We were given early notice of our May Market (Saturday May 19) so keep this date free in your diaries. Details of the craft and walking group were given.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, March 14. This will be our AGM followed by George Hook talking to us on The World of Mother of Pearl. Visitors are welcome. For details contact Penny Bailey 01543 472756.

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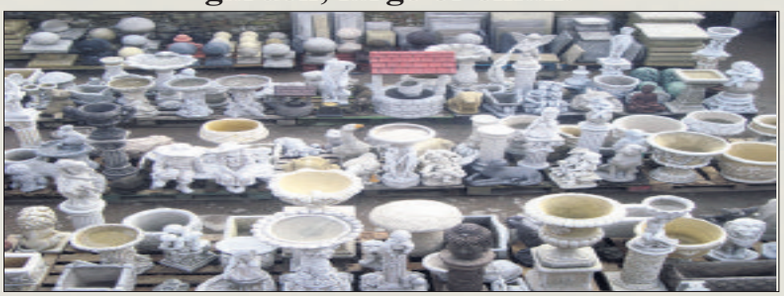

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Hard-hit families and jobless youths both need solutions

Dudley North Labour MP Ian Austin takes the stand in our weekly Chronicle column which gives our local representatives the chance to air their views on issues that matter

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Eventually, after five years of hard work we received some brilliant news – Sport England decided to award the club £50,000. On Friday they presented the cheque to the Club.

Work will be getting under way soon and the size of the gym will be doubled, the facilities will be updated and it will now be able to open its door to 100 more local youngsters.

The money comes from the Olympic Legacy scheme which aims to make sure the Olympics in London this Summer are the springboard for the development of top-class athletes across the board.

Now the boxing club can go from strength to strength and we'll have the chance to produce our own champion.

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Unemployment

The latest round of unemployment statistics were released last week.

They make grim reading for us in Dudley. The national picture remains bleak too. Total unemployment now stands at £2.67 million, up 40,000 on the last quarter.

Most alarmingly, here in Dudley long-term youth unemployment has more than doubled in the last 12 months. More than 1,000 16-24-year-olds have now been out of work in the borough for more than a year.

These figures confirm what people in Dudley already know – the Government is creating a jobless generation,.

One of the reasons we've got families in which generations have never worked is because so many young people lost their jobs when we lost so many industrial jobs in the 1980s and the government is in danger of making the same mistake.

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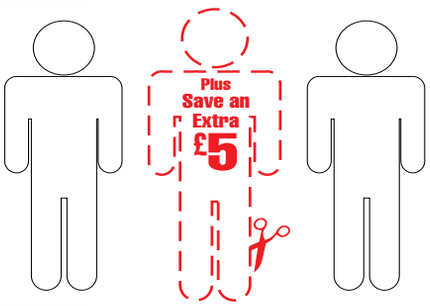

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Group is set up to thwart vandalism at popular park

Labour candidate Derrick Hemmingsley in King George V Wordsley Park

A CAMPAIGN group has been launched to help beat anti-social behaviour, vandalism and littering in a popular Stourbridge park.

The 'Friends of Wordsley Park' has been set up by Labour candidate Derrick Hemingsley in a bid to help residents improve and develop their green space.

Mr Hemingsley blames high youth unemployment for the many issues that residents have raised.

He believes that boredom and cuts to youth services are causing young people to congregate in the park, causing littering of cans and bottles and drug use.

The group's first aim is to establish a committee, with the help of church and youth club leaders. They can then raise money to implement their plans with the possibility of putting on events in the park.

Vision

Mr Hemingsley said: "My vision is to see the park being utilised for all ages.

"I believe that 'Friends of Wordsley Park' will have a major impact on the local community for the better."

Councillor Geoffrey Southall, one of the Conservative Councillors for the Wordsley District, pointed out that money had been spent on the park in recent years as part of the Liveability fund, on both the Century Garden and a multi-use games area.

He acknowledged that there was an obvious degree of disruption caused by the park yet there was no particular evidence of alcohol consumption or crime.

Councillor Southall said: "A dispersal order was called for in the park but the complaints received were not of the correct nature or quantity to warrant the order.

"Police would rather the youths be contained in the park than on the streets."

There have been two committees over the years which have attempted to look after the park but Councillor Southall commented that support was lacking when he last approached the issue.

He added: "I am unaware of any groups being set up and having been a councillor in Wordsley for nine years, I am surprised that I have not been involved."

For more information about the 'Friends of Wordsley Park' contact Derrick Hemingsley on 01384 865199 or email info@wordsleylabour.org.uk

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ATTRACTIVE slim female, 64, divorced, truthful, 5ft 3ins, modern, young at heart, seeks genuine, nice looking, clean male, 57-67. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 338315**

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MALE 45, 5ft 7ins, medium build, short hair, N/S, no ties, honest, likes sports, cinema, countryside, DIY, seeks female, 20-60 for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 332453**

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DANIEL 49, tall, attractive, GSOH, seeks lady for fun relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382559**

MIKE friendly guy 48, tall, fit, GSOH, seeks lady for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 376921**

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JEFF 63, tall, fresh looking, fit, N/S, nice personality, seeks female. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384583**

MALE 58, 5ft 8ins, medium build, short hair, GSOH, seeks female, 50-60 to share happiness and life with. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370649**

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MATURE male, seeks female for kisses, cuddles and naughty indoor fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 363253**

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ATTRACTIVE solvent, honest gent, 57, 5ft 5ins, slim, easygoing, GSOH, OHAC, retired, seeks attractive female for fun relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384133**

BARRY slim 6ft, 66, clean, good looking, active, seeks female. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 361471**

ATTRACTIVE black male, WLTM female for fun, adventure and good times. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 383841**

DAVID 54, 5ft 9ins, seeks female, 22-58 for fun and friendship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 374599**

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Gardeners can dig in to growing own food

SEASONED and novice gardeners from the Black Country can get on board the "grow your own revolution" with the second Edible Garden Show.

The show which is dedicated to all things to do with growing your own food was voted UK's Most Popular Garden Event of the Year 2011.

This year's event promises to be bigger and better with a show bursting with celebrity gardeners, chefs, horticultural and livestock experts, innovative products, demonstrations and events for the whole family.

Celebrity Chef John Burton-Race will be conjuring culinary delights in the Cookery Theatre.

BBC TV's award-winning presenter James Wong will be on a mission to tempt gardeners into becoming more adventurous by growing exotic foods.

Botanist

The renowned gardener and botanist, who will be giving daily talks in the Experts Theatre.

The show, at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire on March 16-18, aims to inspire growers and anyone seeking a slice of the "Good Life" to plan their year ahead with all manner of labour-saving products on display.

There will chickens for sale with expert advice from poultry vet Victoria Roberts, polytunnels to help gardeners extend their growing season, and everything from bees, goats and pigs to seeds, sheds, wellies and wormeries.

Expert beekeepers will demonstrate collecting and processing honey, with top tips on how to keep the hive healthy, flourishing and free from disease.

The event will be holding "Potting Parties" where visitors can get advice on planting and growing. The British Pig Association will showcase native breeds of pigs and entertain families with daily ring demonstrations. For the children, the BPA's Junior Pig Club will stage their "Pig Olympics".

Grafting

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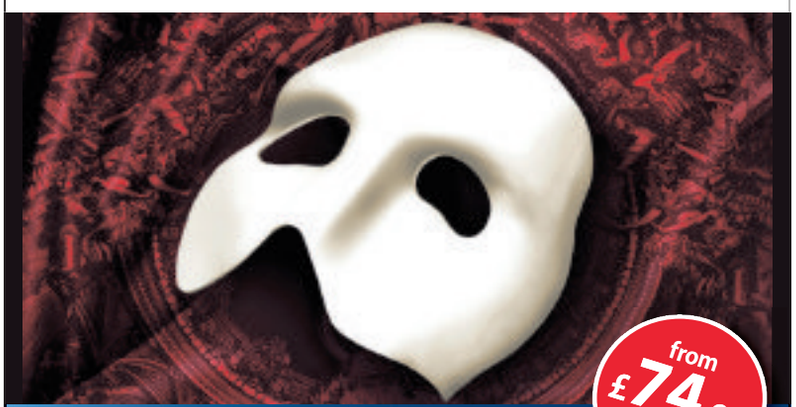

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POINTLESS CELEBRITIES

BBC1, 6.15pm

For a show that prides itself on celebrating obscurity, tea-time quiz Pointless has been gaining rather a lot of attention lately. Not only did it make the move from BBC Two to BBC One last year, but its best-rated episode attracted more than five million viewers and, most prestigiously of all, presenter Alexander Armstrong's 'pointless friend' and co-host Richard Osman was voted the top Weird Crush of 2011 by readers of Heat magazine. Now the programme is about to make even more of a splash as it gets a special, celebrity Saturday night edition. Will the famous faces have that all-important pointless knowledge?

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.35** Rachel Allen: Home Cooking. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Ireland v Italy (Kick-off 1.30pm). **3.25** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. England v Wales (Kick-off 4.00pm).

6.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
6.15 Pointless Celebrities. New series. Christopher Biggins and Lesley Joseph join Alexander Armstrong and Richard Osman for the unorthodox general knowledge quiz.
7.10 Let's Dance for Sport Relief. More celebrity hoofing for charity, featuring former Towie stars Amy Childs and Harry Derbidge, actor and comedian Miles Jupp and ski-jump legend Eddie 'the Eagle' Edwards.
8.30 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which two pairs of complete strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject.
9.20 Casualty. An official complaint is made against Sam.
10.10 BBC News; Weather.
10.30 Match of the Day. Including highlights of Queens Park Rangers v Fulham; National Lottery Update.
11.45 The Football League Show.

1.00 Weatherview. **1.05** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **12.00** Film: Howl's Moving Castle. (2004) Animated fantasy, with the voices of Jean Simmons and Christian Bale. **2.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **2.45** Animal 24:7. (R) **3.30** Birds Britannia. **4.30** Final Score. **5.20** Coast. (R) **5.50** Flog It! (R)

6.50 Dad's Army. The bumbling platoon boosts its fighting strength by acquiring an armoured car. Classic comedy, starring Clive Dunn and Arthur Lowe. (R)
7.20 The Story of Light Entertainment. Stephen Fry narrates a history of the genre, beginning by focusing on double acts from Laurel and Hardy to Ant and Dec. (R)
8.20 The Story of Musicals. New series. Britain's influence on musical theatre.
9.20 I'm in a Boy Band. New series. The first of three documentaries exploring the experience of being in a boy band, with contributions by members of the Four Tops, the Jackson 5 and One Direction.
10.20 TOTP2: Boy Bands. Performances by JLS, the Monkees, Westlife, Village People and Blazin' Squad.
11.20 Pan Am. The staff and crew of the Clipper Majestic look forward to 1964. Last in the series.

12.00 Film: Intermission. (2003) Comedy, starring Colin Farrell , Cillian Murphy. and Kelly Macdonald. **1.45** Film: The Sorcerers. (1967) British horror, starring Boris Karloff. **3.05** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.20** This Morning; Saturday. **12.20** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.20** ITV News; Weather. **1.25** Film: Casino Royale. (1967) Spoof James Bond adventure, starring David Niven. **3.50** Film: Nanny McPhee. (2005) Period fantasy, starring Emma Thompson. **5.35** Regional News ; Weather.**5.45** ITV News; Weather.

6.05 All Star Family Fortunes. EastEnders' June Brown (Dot Branning) and Blue singer Simon Webbe team up with their relatives in a bid to win £30,000 for their chosen charities. Vernon Kay hosts.
7.05 New You've Been Framed!
7.35 Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights.
8.05 Take Me Out. A semi-professional footballer, a busker, a cheerleader and an artist take part.
9.20 The Jonathan Ross Show. The host subjects another trio of celebrity guests to no-holds-barred questioning. Plus, musical performances by A-list bands and solo artists.
10.20 ITV News; Weather.
10.35 FILM: The Bodyguard. (1992) Romantic thriller, with Kevin Costner and the late Whitney Houston.

12.50 The Zone. ITV News Headlines. **3.00** In Plain Sight. **3.45** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.05 Sali Mali. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Road to London 2012: Paralympics Extra. A preview of this summer's Games. (R) **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** T4: Everyone's Talking About – Top 10. **9.25** T4: Bourjois Boutique. **9.55** T4: Playing It Straight. **10.55** T4: New Girl. (R) **11.25** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **11.55** T4: Charlie's Angels. **12.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.25** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.55** Channel 4 Racing. **3.55** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.25** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.55** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.25** Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.00 Channel 4 News.
6.15 4thought.tv. A debate on racism.
6.20 FILM: Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian. (2009) Fantasy comedy, starring Ben Stiller, Amy Adams, Owen Wilson and Steve Coogan.
8.20 Big Fat Gypsy Weddings. Travellers who have found themselves in trouble with the law, including a family facing eviction from an illegal site and a man due in court on the day of his fiancee's hen party. (R)
9.20 The Bank Job. Game show, hosted by George Lamb.
10.20 FILM: Shooter. (2007) Action thriller, starring Mark Wahlberg and Danny Glover.

12.45 Film: Cop Land. (1997) Police thriller, starring Sylvester Stallone. **2.25** The Tannery. (R) **2.30** Film: Little Red Flowers. (2006) Comedy drama, starring Bowen Dong. **4.00** 90210. (R) **4.40** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **5.20** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** World's Toughest Trucker. (R) **11.00** Royal Navy: Caribbean Patrol. (R) **12.00** Braveheart: The True Story. (R) **1.00** Film: The Duel at Silver Creek. (1952) Western, starring Audie Murphy. **2.30** Film: Day of the Evil Gun. (1968) Western, starring Glenn Ford. **4.25** Film: The Dirty Dozen. (1967) Second World War action adventure, with Lee Marvin.

7.15 5 News Weekend.
7.20 NCIS. One of Tony's old murder investigations is reopened, prompting him to switch roles with Gibbs and lead the team in an inquiry that links the case to an embezzlement scheme. (R)
8.15 NCIS. The team heads into the desert to locate an artist who might be able to help solve the murder of a fellow agent, and DiNozzo learns he is in line for an inheritance. (R)
9.10 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Langston and Nick investigate the murder of a fast-food restaurant manager, while Catherine and Greg look into the death of a woman found to have ingested two tubes of toothpaste. (R)
10.10 CSI: NY. The girlfriend of a troubled high-school sports star is found dead.
11.10 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.

12.05 SuperCasino. **3.55** Nick's Quest. (R) **4.50** Rough Guide to Short Breaks. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
4.50 The Brit Awards 2012 **6.50** Film: The Mummy. (1999) Action adventure, starring Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz, John Hannah, Arnold Vosloo and Oded Fehr. Including FYI Daily. **9.20** Take Me Out – The Gossip **10.05** Celebrity Juice **10.50** Film: Payback (1999)

ITV3
4.50 The John Thaw Story **5.55** Goodnight Mister Tom **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Agatha Christie's Poirot **11.00** Those Who Kill

ITV4
2.30 Film: Nevada Smith (1966) **5.10** Film: From Russia with Love. (1963) Spy thriller, starring Sean Connery, Robert Shaw, Daniela Bianchi and Lotte Lenya. Including FYI Daily. **7.30** The Sweeney **8.30** Minder **9.35** Film: Van Wilder: Party Liaison. (2002) Comedy, starring Ryan Reynolds, Tara Reid, Tim Matheson and Kal Penn. Including FYI Daily. **11.30** Film: GoodFellas (1990)

BBC THREE
7.00 Doctor Who **8.40** Top Gear **9.40** Live at the Apollo **10.10** Film: Disturbia (2007) **11.50** Family Guy

BBC FOUR
7.00 Decisive Weapons **8.00** Sicily Unpacked **9.00** Inspector Montalbano **10.55** Horizon: Can We Make a Star on Earth? **11.55** Top of the Pops: 1977

E4
1.55 Hollyoaks **4.30** Perfect Couples **5.20** Scrubs **6.15** The Big Bang Theory **7.05** Happy Endings **7.35** How I Met Your Mother **8.05** Rules of Engagement **8.35** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Film: I, Robot. (2004) Sci-fi thriller, with Will Smith, Bridget Moynahan and Alan Tudyk. **11.15** The Big Bang Theory

FILM4
3.00 Journey to the Center of the Earth (2008) **4.50** Bogus (1996) **7.05** The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising (2007) **9.00** What Happens in Vegas (2008) **10.55** End of Days (1999)

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HOMELAND
Channel 4, 9pm

In this second offering, post-traumatic stress sufferer Brody is still having a hard time at home with his family. He's plagued by violent nightmares and hallucinations, and resists media pressure to play the role of the returning war hero. Meanwhile, Saul, who is still not convinced that Brody is working for al-Qaeda, manages to get Carrie's four weeks' surveillance on the record so that she no longer has to hide what she's doing. Observing the footage of life in Brody's home closely, she tries to understand what's going on in his mind, and concludes he's still struggling with the fact that he's become a terrorist. Claire Danes and Damian Lewis head the cast.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.40** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.00** Sunday Politics. **1.05** EastEnders. **3.00** Match of the Day Live: The League Cup Final. Liverpool v Cardiff City (Kick-off 4.00pm).

6.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
7.00 Countryfile. Matt Baker finds out about Cornwall's famous miners, while elsewhere in the county Ellie Harrison explores a marine habitat created from an old naval frigate.
8.00 Antiques Roadshow. The team heads to St Andrews University, where items of interest include a bowl believed to have belonged to Bonnie Prince Charlie, and Chinese vases from the Forbidden City.
9.00 Upstairs Downstairs. Lady Agnes catches the eye of an American millionaire.
10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
10.25 Room 101 – Extra Storage. With Nick Hewer, Carol Vorderman and Rhod Gilbert.
11.05 The League Cup Show. Liverpool v Cardiff City.
11.50 The Celebrity Apprentice USA. The team is challenged to create an event for a new mobile phone.

1.15 Weatherview. **1.20** Sign Zone: Film 2012 with Claudia Winkleman. (R) **2.00** Holby City. (R) **3.00** Accused. (R) **4.00** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Something for the Weekend. **11.35** Film: The Red Beret. (1953) Second World War adventure, starring Alan Ladd. **1.00** Film: Cowboy. (1958) Western, starring Jack Lemmon. **2.30** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Scotland v France (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.00** Songs of Praise. **5.30** Coast. (R)

6.00 I'm in a Boy Band. The first of three documentaries exploring the experience of being in a boy band, with contributions by members of the Four Tops, the Jackson 5 and One Direction. (R)
7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads. Rhod Gilbert and Greg Davies negotiate crumbling mountain roads as they travel through Nepal, a country with one of the world's highest rates of road traffic accidents. (R)
8.00 Top Gear
9.00 Swimming with Crocodiles. Part two of two. Ben Fogle meets the saltwater crocodiles of Australia.
10.00 Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Arsenal v Tottenham Hotspur.
11.15 Three Men Go to Ireland. Part one of two. Dara O Briain, Griff Rhys Jones and Rory McGrath sail from Dublin to Limerick. (R)

12.00 Rugby Union: Six Nations Highlights. **12.45** Film: Point Blank. (1967) Crime thriller, starring Lee Marvin. **2.15** BBC News. **4.00** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** Ade in Britain. (R) **10.30** Dinner Date. (R) **11.30** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **12.30** ITV News; Weather. **12.45** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.45** Film: Columbo: Agenda for Murder. (1990) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. **3.45** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.50** Regional News ; Weather.

6.05 ITV News; Weather.
6.20 Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights. (R)
6.50 Dancing on Ice. The remaining seven celebrities take part in a rock-themed show, battling to impress the judges and win viewers' votes. Presented by Phillip Schofield and Christine Bleakley. The results can be seen at 9.30pm.
8.30 Wild at Heart. A mystery woman arrives, claiming to be Ed's wife, while a shocking link is made between some seemingly unrelated animal deaths. Jill Halfpenny (EastEnders) joins the cast.
9.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off. The lowest-scoring couples compete.
10.00 That Sunday Night Show
10.30 ITV News; Weather.
10.45 Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Vinnie Jones (R)
11.50 Premiership Rugby Union. Action from the week 16 fixtures.

12.40 The Zone. ITV News Headlines. **2.45** River Monsters. (R) **3.35** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.05 Sali Mali. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Danielle Brown – Part Two. (R) **7.05** That Paralympic Show. (R) **7.30** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. (R) **7.55** T4: Bourjois Boutique. (R) **8.25** T4: One Tree Hill. (R) **9.20** T4: Hollyoaks. (R) **11.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. **1.25** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **2.00** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **2.35** Film: Robots. (2005) Animated adventure, with the voice of Ewan McGregor. **4.20** Deal or No Deal. **5.20** Time Team.

6.25 Channel 4 News.
6.55 4thought.tv. Britain's racial tolerance is questioned.
7.00 The Political Slot. With Conservative MP Mark Prisk.
7.05 Home of the Future. The Pereras get to grips with brainwave-controlled video games.
8.00 The Hotel. The staff tackle Christmas, the biggest event of the year, but manager Mark faces a catalogue of problems, from dodgy decorations to vegetarian dinner mix-ups. Last in the series.
9.00 Homeland. Carrie keeps Brody's home under surveillance.
10.00 FILM: Law Abiding Citizen. (2009) Premiere. Thriller, starring Gerard Butler.

12.05 Film: Terminal Velocity. (1994) Action thriller, starring Charlie Sheen. **1.50** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **2.35** New Girl. (R) **3.00** 90210. (R) **3.45** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **4.25** Time Team. (R) **5.20** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** Fireman Sam. (R) **6.35** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Igam Ogam. (R) **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.15** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Family! (R) **7.35** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.45** Little Lodgers. **7.50** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **7.55** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.15** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.30** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Milkshake! Show Songs. **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) **10.00** Animal Rescue Squad. (R) **10.20** Grey's Anatomy. (R) **11.15** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.20** Film: The Cassandra Crossing. (1976) Disaster movie, with Burt Lancaster. **2.50** Film: My Girl. (1991) Drama, starring Anna Chlumsky and Macaulay Culkin. **4.50** Film: Pocahontas II: Journey to a New World. (1998) Disney animated sequel, featuring the voice of Irene Bedard.

6.10 FILM: The House Bunny. (2008) Premiere. Comedy, starring Anna Faris.
8.00 Cowboy Builders. (R)
8.55 5 News Weekend.
9.00 FILM: The Outlaw Josey Wales. (1976)
11.50 FILM: Maximum Risk. (1996) Action thriller, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme.

1.40 SuperCasino. **4.00** UEFA Europa League Highlights. **4.45** Rough Guide to Bang for Your Buck. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
1.50 Film: Wild Wild West (1999) **4.00** The Only Way Is Essex **5.30** The Cube **6.30** Film: The Mummy Returns (2001) **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** The Only Way Is Essex **10.45** Film: I Am Legend. (2007) Sci-fi thriller, starring Will Smith, Alice Braga and Charlie Tahan.

ITV3
4.50 Hidden Treasure **6.50** Inspector Morse **9.00** Lewis. A body is found on an Oxford tour bus. **11.00** Cracker

ITV4
2.35 Film: The Story of Dr Wassell (1944) **5.20** Film: The Battle of Midway (1976) Fact-based Second World War drama, starring Charlton Heston. **8.00** Premiership Rugby Union **9.00** Film: Sudden Death. (1995) Action thriller, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme, Powers Boothe, Raymond J Barry and Whittni Wright. Including FYI Daily. **11.15** Film: Dirty Harry. (1971) Don Siegel's thriller, starring Clint Eastwood, Harry Guardino and Andy Robinson.

BBC THREE
7.00 Let's Dance for Sport Relief **8.00** Young Farmer of the Year **9.00** Being Human **10.00** Pramface **10.30** Family Guy **11.15** American Dad!

BBC FOUR
7.00 Natural World: The Bloodhound and the Beardie **8.00** One Man and His Dog **9.00** Film: My Dog Tulip (2009) **10.20** Film: The Baader Meinhof Complex (2008)

E4
4.35 Samantha Who? **5.00** Being Erica **6.00** 90210 **6.55** Film: She's the Man (2006) **9.00** Desperate Housewives **11.00** Skins

FILM4
3.20 Little Manhattan (2005) **5.05** The Golden Compass (2007) **7.20** The Man (2005) Comedy, starring Samuel L Jackson and Eugene Levy. **9.00** Iron Man (2008) **11.15** Bunny and the Bull (2009)

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Monday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** A Picture of Health. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Doorstep Crime 999. **11.30** Cowboy Trap; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** The Indian Doctor. **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** Inside Out; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** The Cost of Raising Britain – Panorama. **9.00** Empire. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** A Question of Sport. **11.05** Late Kick Off. **11.35** The Graham Norton Show. (R) **12.20** The Celebrity Apprentice USA. **1.45** Weatherview. **1.50** Sign Zone: Great British Food Revival. (R) **2.50** Royal Wedding. (R) **4.10** Rip Off Britain. (R) **4.40** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Animal Park. (R) **1.45** On the Road with the Chief Beefeater. **2.15** Weakest Link. **3.00** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Perfection. (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** My Life in Books. **7.00** David Hockney: The Art of Seeing. **8.00** University Challenge. **8.30** The Bleak Old Shop of Stuff. **9.00** The Tube. **10.00** Watson & Oliver. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Pan Am. (R) **12.00** BBC News. **3.15** The Super League Show. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** The Dales. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Whitechapel. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The Agenda. **11.05** That Sunday Night Show. (R) **11.40** River Monsters. (R) **12.05** The Unforgettable Kenny Everett. (R) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.35** Champions League Weekly. **3.00** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.05** Sali Mali. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Undercover Boss. (R) **9.55** Three in a Bed. (R) **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Quick Bakes with Eric Lanlard. (R) **12.10** The Fabulous Baker Brothers. (R) **12.40** Film: Terms of Endearment. (1983) Drama, starring Shirley MacLaine. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Coach Trip. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** SuperScrimpers. **9.00** Coppers. **10.00** Proud and Prejudiced. **11.05** Homeland. (R) **12.10** Random Acts. **12.15** Shameless. (R) **1.15** Comedy Lab: Rick and Peter. (R) **1.40** Embarrassing Bodies: Back to the Clinic. (R) **2.35** Undressing My Mother. (R) **2.40** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **3.25** 90210. (R) **4.10** This Is Me. (R) **4.15** Home of the Future. (R) **5.10** Full Metal Challenge. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** The Removal Men: Pickfords. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R) **3.10** Film: Killer Flood: The Day the Dam Broke. (2003) Thriller, starring Joe Lando. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. Rhys tells Karl why he is desperate to become a surgeon. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. Henri Brown returns to Summer Bay High. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** World's Toughest Trucker; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Police Interceptors; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Royal Marines: Mission Afghanistan. **10.00** Film: Starship Troopers 3: Marauder. (2008) Sci-fi sequel, starring Casper Van Dien, Jolene Blalock and Stephen Hogan. **12.10** Soho Blues. (R) **1.05** SuperCasino. **3.55** House Doctor. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** HouseBusters. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** A Picture of Health. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Doorstep Crime 999. **11.30** Cowboy Trap; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** The Indian Doctor. **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Holby City. **9.00** Prisoners' Wives. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; National Lottery Update. **10.35** The Richard Dimbleby Lecture 2012. **11.20** Who Do You Think You Are? US. **11.50** The Celebrity Apprentice USA. **1.15** Weatherview. **1.20** Sign Zone: Inside Men. (R) **2.20** An Island Parish. (R) **2.50** Rip Off Britain. (R) **3.20** Hairy Bikers' Best of British. (R) **4.05** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Animal Park. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. (R) **3.00** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Perfection. (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** My Life in Books. **7.00** Raymond Blanc: The Very Hungry Frenchman. The chef explores the region of Alsace. (R) **8.00** Alex Polizzi: The Fixer. Alex is called to a faltering fancy-dress business in Essex. **9.00** Horizon: The Truth About Exercise. **10.00** Have I Got Old News for You. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Rubicon. **12.05** Rubicon. **12.50** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** River Monsters. (R) **8.00** The Exit List. **9.00** The Biggest Loser. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Benidorm. (R) **11.35** The Cube. (R) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** Crossing Jordan. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.05** Sali Mali. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Undercover Boss. (R) **9.55** Three in a Bed. (R) **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Quick Bakes with Eric Lanlard. **12.20** Film: Battle Cry. (1955) **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Coach Trip. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Supersize vs Superskinny. **9.00** Big Fat Gypsy Weddings. **10.00** Shameless. **11.05** Random Acts. **11.10** Desperate Housewives. **12.10** Poker. **1.10** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. **1.35** KOTV Boxing Weekly. **2.05** Best of British. (R) **3.00** Late Night Poker. (R) **3.55** Brief Encounters of the Sporting Mind: Rally Driving. (R) **4.00** Brief Encounters of the Sporting Mind: Sheepdog. (R) **4.10** That Paralympic Show. (R) **4.35** Road to London 2012: Paralympics Extra. **5.30** FIM Superbike World Championship. **5.55** Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Mandip Sehmi – Part Two. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** The Removal Men: Pickfords. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** CSI: NY. (R) **3.15** Film: The Staircase Murders. (2007) Fact-based thriller, with Treat Williams and Kevin Pollak. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Police Interceptors; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Apollo 13: The True Story. The ill-fated 1970 mission and the movie version compared; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Body of Proof. **10.00** CSI: NY. (R) **10.55** CSI: Miami. (R) **11.55** CSI: NY. (R) **12.55** Inside Hollywood. **1.05** SuperCasino. **3.55** House Doctor. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** HouseBusters. (R)

Wednesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** A Picture of Health. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Doorstep Crime 999. **11.30** Cowboy Trap; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** The Indian Doctor. **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **6.55** Party Political Broadcast. (R) **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** The Food Inspectors; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Waterloo Road. **9.00** MasterChef. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. **10.45** Kevin Bridges What's the Story? **11.15** Film 2012 with Claudia Winkleman; National Lottery Update. **11.55** Film: Racing for Time. (2008) **1.20** Weatherview. **1.25** Sign Zone: See Hear. (R) **1.55** Upstairs Downstairs. (R) **2.55** An Island Parish. (R) **3.25** Hairy Bikers' Best of British. (R) **4.10** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **1.00** See Hear. **1.30** Coast. (R) **1.40** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.10** Weakest Link. **2.55** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **3.40** Flog It! (R) **4.25** Perfection. (R) **5.10** Antiques Road Trip. **5.55** Party Political Broadcast. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** My Life in Books. **7.00** Escape to the Country. **7.30** Watson & Oliver. (R) **8.00** The Fisherman's Apprentice with Monty Halls. **9.00** Two Jews on a Cruise: A Wonderland Film. **10.00** Roger & Val Have Just Got In. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Stranded! The Andes Plane Crash Survivors: Storyville. (R) **1.10** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Live International Football. **10.10** ITV News; Weather. **10.40** Regional News; Weather. **10.45** International Football. **11.50** Kidnap and Ransom. (R) **12.40** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.45** Film: Jaws 3. (1983) **4.20** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **9.55** Three in a Bed. (R) **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Channel 4 Presents – 2012: David Smith – Part Two. (R) **12.10** Quick Bakes with Eric Lanlard. (R) **12.30** Film: Reach for the Sky. (1956) **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Coach Trip. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Daddy Daycare. **9.00** One Born Every Minute. **10.00** 10 O'Clock Live. **10.55** The Mad Bad Ad Show. (R) **11.45** Random Acts. **11.50** Music on 4: The Album Chart Show: Spotlight. **12.10** Music on 4: Black Cab Sessions. **12.40** Music on 4: Countdown to the NME Awards 2012. (R) **12.55** Music on 4: 4Play: Birdy. (R) **1.05** Music on 4: Professor Green Unseen: After Hours. (R) **1.35** Music on 4: Curated by Lyle and Scott. (R) **1.45** Music on 4: Live from Abbey Road. (R) **2.30** Film: Sex Lives of the Potato Men. (2004) **3.55** 90210. (R) **4.40** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **5.20** Countdown. (R)

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BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** Animal Park. (R) **1.30** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. **3.00** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Perfection. (R) **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** My Life in Books. **7.00** Top Gear. (R) **8.00** Raymond Blanc: The Very Hungry Frenchman. **9.00** Japan – Children of the Tsunami. **10.00** Mock the Week – Again. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** On Hannibal's Trail. (R) **11.50** On Hannibal's Trail. (R) **12.20** The Tube. (R) **1.20** BBC News. **3.40** Close. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

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ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** Safari Vet School. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Benidorm. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Film: Lethal Weapon. (1987) Action thriller, starring Mel Gibson and Danny Glover. **12.35** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.40** Film: Half Light. (2006) Supernatural thriller, starring Demi Moore. **4.30** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **9.55** Three in a Bed. (R) **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Quick Bakes with Eric Lanlard. (R) **12.30** Film: Objective, Burma! (1945) Second World War adventure, starring Errol Flynn. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Coach Trip. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.30** 4thought.tv. **7.35** Come Dine with Me. **8.30** New Girl. **9.00** The Bank Job. **10.00** The Mad Bad Ad Show. **10.50** Rude Tube: Extreme Rides. (R) **11.50** 10 O'Clock Live. (R) **12.45** Film: Election. (2005) Crime thriller, starring Simon Yam. **2.25** Random Acts. **2.30** My Name Is Earl. (R) **3.15** Hung. (R) **4.10** The Lobster Club. (R) **4.20** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **5.00** Paraphernalia. (R) **5.15** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** The Removal Men: Pickfords. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R) **3.10** Film: Perfect Romance. (2004) Romantic drama, with Kathleen Quinlan and Henry Ian Cusick. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News. **7.00** Royal Navy: Caribbean Patrol; (R) 5 News. **8.00** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. New series. A driver tries to move London's Piccadilly Lights; 5 News at 9. **9.00** The Mentalist. Red John targets an FBI agent. **10.00** Castle. The race is on to solve two murders. **10.55** Law & Order: Criminal Intent. Logan and Falacci investigate the murder of an obstetrician. (R) **11.55** Inside Hollywood. **12.00** SuperCasino. Live interactive gaming. **3.55** Motorsport Mundial. **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** HouseBusters. (R)

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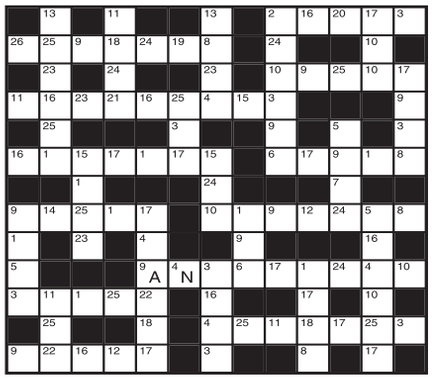

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

1 & 10 Dn. Continuing a stage career and maintaining one's respectability (7,2,11)
8. Falstaff's follower is no young man, initially (3)
9. Carried away, being unusually ardent about games (11)
11. Somehow parries the weapons (7)
12. Don't dissent from an idea that a vice is unending (5)
13. Works hard and produces new stock (6)
15. They produce berries for those who have grown old in office (6)
17. What may be raised in the National Army (5)
18. Is included in a requirement for the making of cordial (7)
20. Frozen to the core? (4-7)
22. Don't stand for prevarication (3)
23. Horticultural plot is surrounding a cluster of flowers (9)

Down

2. To go off the track produces a bit of hesitation, we hear (3)
3. Publication is associated with ill-use (5)
4. A bird complaint (6)
5. This may cause one to tip up before autumn! (7)
6. Backing for financial authorisation (11)
7. I'm urged to be deeply affected (9)
10. See 1 Across
11. Set up mother with a stage part - a long, rambling piece (9)
14. Delay sentence on an old convict (4-3)
16. A flat metal ring used in the laundry (6)
19. Vexed by one assessment (5)
21. A long time in the Upper Andes (3)

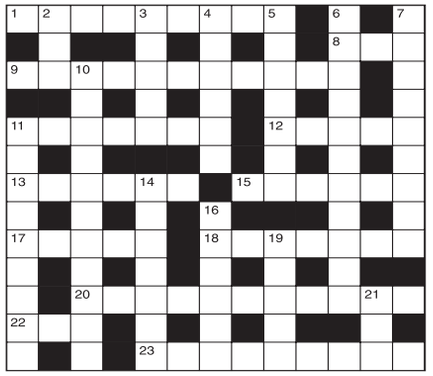
Quick Clues:

Across

1. Controlling device (9)
8. Unity (3)
9. Dejected (11)
11. Anger (7)
12. Fragrance (5)
13. Opportunity (6)
15. Lax (6)
17. Consumed (5)
18. Snare (7)
20. Deceit (11)
22. Woman in religious order (3)
23. Infamy (9)

Down

2. Make a mistake (3)
3. Language of ancient Rome (5)
4. Journey (6)
5. To free (7)
6. Merge (11)
7. Practice (9)
10. Charm (11)
11. Harsh (9)
14. Include (7)
16. Short burst of speed (6)
19. Of them (5)
21. Fix (3)



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Assets; 8 Alight; 10 Neutron; 11 Piece; 12 Work; 13 Bored; 17 Seams; 18 Mean; 22 Moral; 23 Noisome; 24 Second; 25 Planes. Down: 1 Bad news; 2 Estuary; 3 Story; 4 Slipper; 5 Ogres; 6 Other; 9 In command; 14 Telling; 15 Recount; 16 Inverse; 19 Amass; 20 Brace; 21 Wills. QUICK - Across: 7 Amount; 8 Quaint; 10 Monster; 11 Treat; 12 Sled; 13 Antic; 17 Tepid; 18 Dawn; 22 Ideal; 23 Avarice; 24 Assent; 25 Morass. Down: 1 Palmist; 2 Pointer; 3 Unite; 4 Sustain; 5 Liken; 6 State; 9 Principal; 14 Telling; 15 Capital; 16 Intense; 19 Final; 20 Lease; 21 Wagon.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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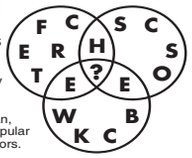
Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



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The reception hall is 19ft 4in by 8ft 2in and has a tiled floor with a 29ft conservatory across the rear, while the lounge – 18ft 7in by 13ft 5in – has a feature fireplace.

The modern fitted dining kitchen, 18ft 8in by 11ft 9in, has a range of wall and base cupboards and integrated appliances including fridge, freezer, double oven and grill, five ring gas hob, stainless steel extractor hood above, space for washing machine and tumble dryer, one and a half stainless steel sink unit with mixer tap – plus an excellent dining area.

Study

The side hallway gives access to a dressing room with fitted wardrobes which could be used as a study, with a shower room to bedroom one which was formerly two rooms and measures 18ft 8in by 11ft 5in and has a range of fitted wardrobes. The stairway from the hall leads to a double landing with three double bedrooms and bathroom fitted in white to include a panelled bath with shower over, pedestal wash hand basin and low flush wc.

Outside the award-winning terraced gardens are surrounded by green wrought iron railings and extensively planted with a range of shrubs and seasonal plants.

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48 MARSHALL ROAD, WILLENHALL
Approached via long foregarden providing ample off road parking, a spacious three bed semi with wide entrance hall, two reception rooms, kitchen,bathroom, enclosed rear garden and garage space **Guide: £75,000 / £80,000**
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440 BIRMINGHAM NEW ROAD, WOLVERHAMPTON
Large three bed semi with garage and enclosed rear garden ..... **Guide: £78,000 / £83,000**
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BUILDING LAND AT REAR OF 44 CHEVIOT ROAD, PARKFIELDS, WOLVERHAMPTON
with Planning Permission for erection of six dwellings..... **Guide: £90,000 / £95,000**
Viewing - *On site*

48 CHURCH HILL, PENN, WOLVERHAMPTON
Desirably situated detached residence. Enclosed porch, hall, cloakroom, through lounge with dining area, kitchen, lobby/utility, galleried landing, three double bedrooms, spacious bathroom, heating to radiators, garage, enclosed rear garden ..... **Guide: £180,000 / £190,000**
Viewing: *Friday 24th February @ 1.30 pm and Saturday 25th February @ 10.00 am*
(Road works in Church Hill, please allow ample time)

80 CANTERBURY ROAD, PENN, WOLVERHAMPTON
Attractive Semi-detached residence in popular location, block paved drive providing off road parking, hall, two reception rooms (one extended), impressive breakfast kitchen,three bedrooms, bathroom with white suite, enclosed rear garden ..... **Guide: £145,000 / £150,000**
Viewing: *Friday 24th February @ 2.30 pm and Saturday 25th February @ 11.00 am*

91 BUSHBURY LANE, WOLVERHAMPTON
Attractive mid terraced home in convenient location. Lounge, inner hall, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom with white suite, vehicular access to rear, long rear garden ..... **Guide: £57,000 / £63,000**
Viewing: *Friday 24th February @ 3.15 pm and Saturday 25th February @ 11.45 am*

73 MORETON ROAD, BUSHBURY, WOLVERHAMPTON
Conveniently situated semi-detached house. Hall, two reception rooms, kitchen, ground floor bathroom, three bedrooms, pedestrian access to side, rear garden and off road parking to front..... **Guide: £65,000 / £70,000**
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Forget Coronation Street-style dingy back yards and dark alleyways. The RHS is now calling on communities to put colour into their back street walkways, Hannah Stephenson reports

Haven of colour in an alley – perhaps not what you would expect

A colourful alleyway in Manchester

Urban alleyways in this country have often been seen as threatening places – dark, lined with brick walls or fences, with no colour and plenty of possibilities for crime.

Yet in certain areas green-fingered residents have made their alleyways a sight to behold, filled with plants which create a riot of colour and a heart-warming atmosphere, as far away from graffiti-land as you can get.

The Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) is now calling on communities to transform unsightly, neglected alleyways into green havens, championing the findings of a recent RHS report that shows the significant impact this sort of revival has on communities.

A survey of 231 gardening groups found neglected areas were often problematic because of crime and fear of crime. Disused alleyways were a particular concern because they're a perfect access route for burglars.

Many councils run schemes to gate off problem alleyways and the impact this has had on crime has been significant in cities like Cardiff, Bristol and Manchester.

According to the RHS report, in one Manchester street, 50 properties backed on to a four-way passage and were prone to burglary. It was gated off and residents planted it up, turning what was once a crime-ridden grot-spot into a flourishing community haven where residents hold events and children play.

"A lot of groups that have renovated disused spaces like alleyways which have been prone to vandalism and anti-social behaviour have reported that vandals sometimes continue but this is extremely short-lived," says Stephanie Eynon, RHS community horticulture manager.

"If they steal planters, do graffiti or whatever, they soon notice that the planters are put back and the graffiti is removed – not by the council, but by residents. These once disused areas become looked-after, used, lived-in, part of the community and vandals are put off by the fact there is a strong community presence.

"Groups report that vandals don't return. Whether it's through fear of being watched, the fact that there are people physically now in these areas is off-putting to them."

The RHS It's Your Neighbourhood campaign, part of Britain in Bloom, is offering advice on planting up neglected spaces like alleyways and also providing information on funding. There are already more than 1,000 registered IYN groups. To set up a new group or join an existing one, go to www.rhs.org.uk/communities

RHS Young Designer 2011 finalists Owen Morgan and Alexandra Froggatt, who will demonstrate how to regenerate an alleyway through planting at the RHS London Plant and Design Show on February 14 and 15, offer the following tips:

● A derelict alleyway can be taken on as a community project. Even on a shoestring budget, bright colours and simple raised beds can transform an area quickly. Be creative – recycled items will add an interesting dynamic to any design.

● Green walling is an instant effect and can vastly increase your planting options and available area for planting in a limited space. Green wall systems lend themselves to the growing of ferns which are well suited to a damp, shaded alleyway wall. There are plenty of products on the market that utilise pockets or pouches with in-built irrigation systems.

● With green wall technology the potential for vertical allotments is beginning to be realised. An alleyway could be taken on by the community and be transferred into a vertical allotment. In urban areas this would help towards the lack of available allotment space.

● Take into account practical considerations. Speak to neighbours before embarking on any structural work. Take into consideration the Party Wall Act and contact a surveyor if in doubt.

● Most alleyways require some degree of access. A good design should include a clear flat access path wide enough for wheelie bins, disabled access or buggies.

● Many alleyways will have a concrete-lined base and will therefore be unsuitable for conventional planting. Pots, planters and troughs are an ideal way of creating a strong design identity to the space while providing plenty of opportunity for planting.

● Climbers on funky trellis will also add vertical interest. Climbing hydrangeas are self clinging and highly shade tolerant.

● Use hanging planters to break up long sections of wall.

● The majority of alleyways are shady so experiment with shade tolerant plants such as ferns, hakonechloa and hostas.

● A few large specimens will have strong impact in a small space so add bamboo or hardy palms.

● Box is shade tolerant so try adding some topiary balls or cones for year-round elegance.

● Brighten up dark and dingy areas by adding bold coloured pots. White will act to lift and lighten the area. Paint the walls to make a bold statement, but make sure you have permission first.

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- Well fitted kitchen with utility area
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- Beautiful landscaped gardens
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13 OAKLEIGH DRIVE £199,950
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- Detached house
- Three bedrooms
- Conservatory/verandah
- Utility room
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3 LONGFELLOW ROAD £195,950
LOWER GORNAL
- Extended semi detached house
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- Potential to alter to five bedrooms
- Two separate living areas
- Kitchen/diner, laundry, shower room
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4 THE ALLEY £190,000
LOWER GORNAL
- Detached dormer residence
- Three bedrooms
- Deceptive accommodation
- Rear verandah
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24 LINFIELD GARDENS £147,500
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- 'L' shaped living room
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15 WHITES DRIVE £144,995
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- Two bedrooms
- Large bathroom
- Rear lobby/utility room
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22 STAR FOUNDRY DRIVE £139,950
BILSTON
- Modern semi detached house
- Three bedrooms
- Well presented throughout
- Ensuite shower room
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11 TURLS HILL ROAD O/A £134,950
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- Three reception rooms
- Three bedrooms
- Garage at rear
- Well maintained & presented
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3 OAKFIELD AVENUE O/A £124,950
WOODSETTON
- Semi detached house
- Three bedrooms
- Two reception rooms, sun lounge
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38 TIPTON STREET O/A £119,950
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- Refitted shower room
- Ample off street parking
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12 REDSTONE WAY £119,950
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- Modern mid terraced house
- Two double bedrooms
- Dining kitchen
- Ideal for first time buyers
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11 DARBY CLOSE £107,950
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- Mid terraced house
- Three bedrooms
- Ground floor shower room
- First floor bathroom
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27 BOUNDARY HILL £103,950
LOWER GORNAL
- Extended semi detached house
- Three bedrooms
- Breakfast kitchen
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5 GENEVA ROAD £99,950
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NETHERTON
- Mid terraced house
- Deceptive accommodation
- Gas central heating
- Dining kitchen
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- Modernised & improved
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- Conservatory, shower room
- Ample off street parking
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- In need of modernisation
- Cash purchase
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- Own entrance hall
- Communal gardens
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Lot 1	133 Anderton Road, Sparkbrook, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 2	8 Ralph Road, Saltley, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 3	148 Burnel Road, Weoley Castle, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 4	Former Toilets at Icknield Street, Hockley, Birmingham	Development/Redevelopment
Lot 5	1148 Pershore Road, Stirchley, Birmingham	Commercial Vacant
Lot 6	1 Regents Park Road, Small Heath, Birmingham	Commercial Vacant
Lot 7	288 Gooch Street, Highgate, Birmingham	Commercial Vacant
Lot 8	893-895 Chester Road, Erdington, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 9	Sycamore Centre, Sycamore Road, Aston, Birmingham	Commercial Vacant
Lot 10	The Old Bank, 61-65 Villa Road, Handsworth, Birmingham	Commercial Vacant
Lot 11	11 Freer Road, Aston, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 12	Land off Purdy Road, Tipton	Land
Lot 13	Land at 17A Station Road, Cradley Heath, Birmingham	Land
Lot 14	Land at Corner of Witton Lane & Holloway Bank, West Bromwich	Land
Lot 15	Land at Reddal Hill Road/Brook Lane, Cradley Heath, Birmingham	Land
Lot 16	43 Union Street, West Bromwich	Commercial Vacant
Lot 17	31 Vicarage Road, All Saints, Wolverhampton	Residential Vacant
Lot 18	15 Filey Road, Oxley, Wolverhampton	Residential Vacant
Lot 19	306 Station Road, Stechford, Birmingham	Residential Investment
Lot 20	197 Streetsbrook Road, Solihull	Residential Vacant
Lot 21	148 Boulton Road, Handsworth, Birmingham	Residential Investment
Lot 22	Strategic Land at Blue Rock - Oldbury	Land
Lot 23	35 Clarendon Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham	Part Residential Vacant/ Part Residential Investment
Lot 24	7 Holder Road, Yardley, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 25	94 Himley Road, Dudley	Residential Vacant
Lot 26	Land at Kingsway Works, R/o 51-67 High Street, Kings Heath, Birmingham	Development/Redevelopment
Lot 27	125 Abingdon Road, Perry Common, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 28	90 Causeway Green Road, Oldbury, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 29	92 Causeway Green Road, Oldbury, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 30	102 Causeway Green Road, Oldbury, Birmingham	Residential Investment
Lot 31	27 High Street, West Bromwich	Commercial Vacant
Lot 32	26 Chudleigh Road, Erdington, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 33	Crystal Fountain, St John's Road, Cannock	Commercial Vacant
Lot 34	The Kings Head, 36 King Street, Leicester	Commercial Vacant
Lot 35	69A & 69B Aldersley Road, Wolverhampton	Part Residential Vacant/ Part Residential Investment
Lot 36	29A & 29B High Street, Alcester	Residential Investment
Lot 37	13 Beech Road, Norton, Stourbridge	Residential Vacant
Lot 38	Gothic Cottage, 14 Hickman Road, Bilston	Residential Investment
Lot 39	141 Highfield Road, Tipton	Residential Vacant
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Lot 41	The Foresters Arms, Nether Hayford, Northants	Commercial Vacant
Lot 42	The Surrey Tavern, 44-46 Surrey Street, Norwich	Commercial Vacant
Lot 43	50 Albert Road, Stechford, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 44	136 Dixon Street, Wolverhampton	Residential Vacant
Lot 45	27 Poplar Road, Bearwood, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 46	4 Roseway, Wellington, Telford	Residential Investment
Lot 47	Land at the Woodlands, Pinxton, Nottingham	Development/Redevelopment
Lot 48	139 Pye Green Road, Cannock	Residential Vacant
Lot 49	The Hollybush Inn, Main Street, Seighford	Commercial Vacant
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Lot 51	1 & 1A Lowlands Avenue, Wolverhampton	Part Residential Vacant /Part Commecial Investment
Lot 52	21 Lansbury Drive, Cannock	Residential Investment
Lot 53	302 Alum Rock Road, Saltley, Birmingham	Commercial Investment
Lot 54	6 Parkfield Grove, Parkfields, Wolverhampton	Residential Vacant
Lot 55	2 Taylor Road, Wolverhampton	Residential Vacant
Lot 56	27 Richmond Street, Walsall	Residential Vacant
Lot 57	15 Stanton Avenue, Dudley	Residential Vacant
Lot 58	6 Pond Crescent, Wolverhampton	Residential Vacant
Lot 59	40 North Street, Dudley	Residential Vacant
Lot 60	Land 24M Portway Hill, Tividale, Oldbury	Land
Lot 61	2 Kitchener Road, Selly Park, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 62	18 Kitchener Road, Selly Park, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 63	Unit 20 Waterside, Lock House, Dickens Heath, Solihull	Commercial Vacant
Lot 64	The Gallery, 28-30 Nottingham Road, Eastwood	Commercial Vacant
Lot 65	2 Victoria Road, Handsworth, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 66	206 Old Birchills & Former Canal Museum, Walsall	Part Residential Vacant/ Part Commercial Vacant
Lot 67	464 Moseley Road, Balsall Heath, Birmingham	Part Residential Investment/ Part Commercial Investment
Lot 68	132 Edenhurst Road, Longbridge, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 69	53 Ronald Road, Bordesley Green, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 70	13 Hampshire Road, West Bromwich	Residential Vacant
Lot 71	Water Park Lodge, Kingsbury Road, Lea Marston Sutton Coldfield	Commercial Vacant
Lot 72	10 Harrowby Drive, Tipton	Residential Vacant
Lot 73	84 Johnson Road, Cannock	Residential Investment
Lot 74	12 Botteville Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham	Residential Investment
Lot 75	131 Bell Green Road, Coventry	Residential Investment
Lot 76	12B Castle Hill, Dudley	Commercial Vacant
Lot 77	270 Newbury Lane, Oldbury, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 78	Apartment 412A Crocodile Court, Alma Street, Newtown, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 79	22 Austin Lane, Newtown, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 80	22 Porchester Street, Newtown, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 81	56 Villa Road, Lozells, Birmingham SOLD PRIOR	Commercial Investment
Lot 82	39-42 Trinity Street, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent	Commercial Vacant
Lot 83	3 Albert Road, Aston, Birmingham	Residential Investment
Lot 84	39 Fisher Street, Wolverhampton	Residential Investment
Lot 85	32 Gipsy Lane, Willenhall	Residential Investment
Lot 86	448 Birchfield Road, Perry Barr, Birmingham	Part Residential Investment/ Part Commercial Investment
Lot 87	132 Tile Cross Road, Tile Cross, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 88	The Bungalow, Croft Lane, Gailey, Staffordshire	Residential Vacant
Lot 89	16 Westbourne Road, Handsworth, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 90	79 Tower Road, Oldbury, Birmingham	Residential Investment
Lot 91	5 Rooth Street, Wednesbury	Residential Vacant
Lot 92	15 Alexandra Road, Tipton	Residential Vacant
Lot 93	The Mossley Tavern, 95 Armitage Road, Nr Rugeley	Commercial Vacant
Lot 94	17 Doe Bank Road, Tipton	Residential Investment
Lot 95	108 Dalkeith Street, Walsall	Residential Vacant
Lot 96	149 Finchley Road, Kingstanding, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 97	1 Hazel Road, Tipton	Residential Vacant
Lot 98	20 Kensington Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 99	5A Peewit Road, Evesham, Worcestershire	Residential Vacant
Lot 100	61 Tintern Road, Perry Barr, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 101	61 Oakwood Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 102	67 Church Street, Darlaston	Residential Investment
Lot 103	62 Highfield Road, Blackheath	Residential Vacant
Lot 104	Strategic Land 106 at the R/o Ivy House & Wallace Road, Sandwell	Land
Lot 105	13 Mount Road, Penn, Wolverhampton	Residential Investment
Lot 106	13 Hall Green Road, West Bromwich	Residential Vacant
Lot 107	79 Dibdale Street, Dudley SOLD PRIOR	Residential Vacant
Lot 108	The Old Coach House, off Green Street, Smethwick, Birmingham	Commercial Vacant
Lot 109	121 Birkenshaw Road, Great Barr, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 110	105 Kathleen Road, Yardley, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 111	60 William Cook Road, Ward End, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 112	67 Hall Street East, Darlaston	Residential Vacant
Lot 113	15 Tozer Street, Tipton	Residential Vacant
Lot 114	116 Addison Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham	Residential Vacant
Lot 115	47A & 47B New Lowley Road, Dudley	Residential Vacant
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Lake Street

A well presented three bedroom end terrace property, comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/diner, day room, utility room, cloakroom, cellar room, first floor having master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms, bathroom, garage & off road parking, rear garden, double glazing.

£214,950

Attingham Drive

A modern detached property, comprises entrance hallway, through lounge, kitchen/diner, cloakroom, first floor having master bedroom with en-suite, three further bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. No Upward Chain.

Dudley £150,000

Cromwell Drive

A well presented detached property, accommodation comprises porch, entrance hallway, kitchen, lounge, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, off road parking, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

Gornal Wood £139,950

Summit Place

A well presented detached cottage style property comprising lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, downstairs shower room, two bedrooms, bathroom, gardens to front and rear, off road parking, viewing highly recommended, no upward chain, gas central heating and double glazing where specified.

Coseley £137,950

Keats Drive

A well presented semi detached property, comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining area, kitchen, first floor having three bedrooms, bathroom and separate w.c., driveway, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, central heating. Viewing Highly Recommended.

£132,500

Old Park Road

An extended traditional semi detached property arranged over three floors. Accommodation comprises entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, extended kitchen, study, reception room two, first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, second floor having converted loft giving fourth bedroom.

£122,000

Alma Avenue

A well presented traditional semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility area, conservatory, first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, off road parking, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating

Russells Hall £116,950

Ketley Hill Road

A well presented semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, storage heating. Viewing highly recommended.

£110,000

Park Lane West

A well presented end terraced bungalow comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, two bedrooms, bathroom, rear garden, off road parking, double glazing and central heating radiator where specified, viewing highly recommended.

£110,000

Kitchener Road

A semi detached property comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, ground floor w.c., first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, central heating as specified, off road parking to the rear. Gardens to front, side and rear.

£104,950

Springfield Crescent

A three bedroom semi detached corner plot, comprises porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, inner lobby, downstairs shower room, first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, off road parking, garden to the front, side & rear, double glazing as specified, central heating where specified.

£99,950

New Rowley Road

An extended mid terrace property, accommodation comprises two reception rooms, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and shower room, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended. No Upward Chain. Alarmed

£89,950

Wellington Road

An end terrace property, accommodation comprises entrance hall, two reception rooms, kitchen, downstairs wet room, first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, second floor having bedroom four, garden to the rear. Viewing highly recommended. No Upward Chain.

Dudley £84,950

Roseland Avenue

A well presented semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hall, downstairs bathroom, lounge, kitchen/diner, first floor landing having three bedrooms and w.c., gated off road parking, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

Bromford Homes-Friars Gate £80,500

The Ambleside

A semi detached property available to purchase on Homebuy Direct Scheme(price shown assumes purchase of 70% of equity) accommodation comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen diner, lounge, first floor having two bedrooms and bathroom. Off road parking, garden to rear. Ideal first time buyers purchase.

Tipton £83,500

Lister Close

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Four Winds Road

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Hereford Road

A semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, downstairs cloakroom, conservatory, first floor landing having two bedrooms & bathroom. Viewing highly recommended.

Netherton £49,950

Griffin Street

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£324,950

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HIGH ARCAL DRIVE

A five bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, two large reception rooms, a fitted kitchen, a utility room, a downstairs wc, five bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£249,950

SEDGLEY

LARKSWOOD DRIVE

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises: A reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a sitting room, a fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double glazing, gas fired central heating, a carport, a garage and a lovely rear garden that backs onto a paddock.

£231,950

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WEXFORD CLOSE

A four bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a family room/dining room, a superb fitted breakfast kitchen, a utility room, a downstairs wc, a master bedroom en suite, three further bedrooms, a family bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage, a pleasant rear garden and panoramic views to the front of the property.

£214,950

LARKS VIEW

RICHBOROUGH DRIVE

A four bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a lounge with an archway leading to dining room, a fitted breakfast kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a utility room, a master bedroom en suite, three further bedrooms, a family bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a rear garden.

£189,950

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SANDYFIELDS ROAD

A three bedroom detached bungalow that briefly comprises: Reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, dining area, kitchen, three good sized bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC double glazing (where stated), gas-fired central heating, garage and a rear garden.

£186,950

SEDGLEY

HIGH PARK CRESCENT

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a superb fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a utility area, a downstairs wc, three double bedrooms, a shower room, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a pleasant rear garden.

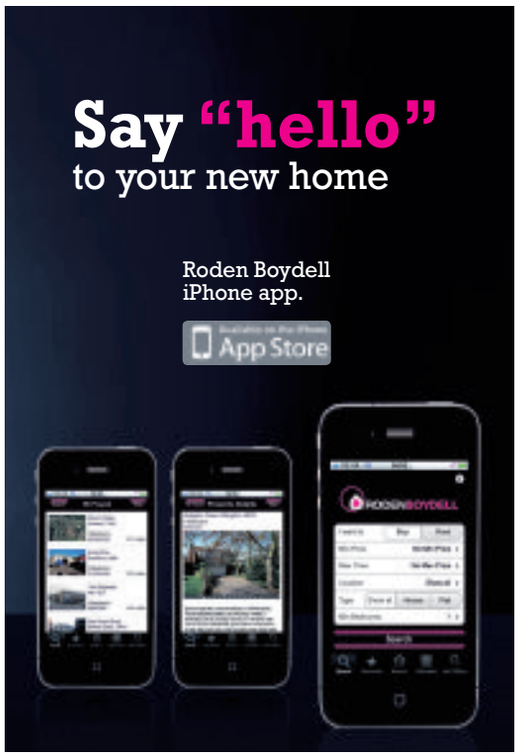
£184,950

UPPER GORNAL

KENT STREET

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, an impressive reception hall, a spacious through lounge, a magnificent re-appointed dining kitchen, three good sized bedrooms, a re-appointed bathroom, double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage with an office and w/c to the rear, a gravelled driveway and a delightful rear garden.

£179,950



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LONGMEADOW DRIVE

A three bedroom link detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a spacious lounge, a conservatory, a dining kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£179,950

SEDGLEY

DINGLE VIEW

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, an open plan dining kitchen, a conservatory, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden.

£174,950

THE HEDGEROWS

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A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a through lounge, a magnificent fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a master bedroom ensuite, two further bedrooms, a family bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and delightful rear garden

£169,950

PRIORY GATE

RICHBOROUGH DRIVE

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, an open plan lounge/dining room, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a master bedroom en suite, two further bedrooms, a family bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden with panoramic views

£169,950

SEDGLEY

WARREN DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£149,950

WOODSETTON

BROOK STREET

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a re-appointed kitchen, three bedrooms, a re-appointed bathroom, UPVC double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden.

£149,950

SEDGLEY

SANDYFIELDS ROAD

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a spacious lounge, a kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, a 36ft garage, a workshop, double glazing where stated and a lovely rear garden with distant views.

£149,950

FAIRVIEW PARK

DIBDALE ROAD WEST

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, superb fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway for two cars and a pleasant rear garden.

£139,950

MILKING BANK

HARLECH WAY

A two bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a superb fitted dining kitchen, two bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, a driveway and a lovely rear garden.

£126,950

FAIRVIEW PARK

MANDERSTON CLOSE

A two bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a lounge, a superb fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a downstairs w/c, two bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a rear garden and a carport in an adjacent block

£124,950

COSELEY

BERRINGTON DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a spacious lounge, a dining kitchen, a conservatory, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UVPC double glazing where stated, a driveway, a garage and a rear garden.

£122,950

WOODSETTON

ROPER WALK

A two bedroom first floor flat that briefly comprises a reception hall, a spacious lounge, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, two bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, communal gardens and parking.

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- Seperate bungalow/annex at rear with flexible living space
- Secure garage and parking
- VIEWING RECOMMENDED

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £450,000

BRADLEY, BILSTON

WOOTTON SQUARE

- Superb architect designed bungalow
- Deluxe fittings throughout
- Imposing hallway. • 24'ft lounge
- Fabulous breakfast kitchen, feature island, integrated appliances, opening to dining room
- Three large double bedrooms
- Excellent sized bathroom
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £249,995

LANESFIELD

HACKFORD ROAD

- Spacious three storey property with modern theme
- Bottom floor - Bedroom four /study.
- 2nd Floor - Lounge, dining kitchen, guest wc
- Top floor - 3 bedrooms and house bathroom
- Double glazing and Gas central heating
- Private rear garden.
- Garage and off road parking for 2 cars

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £110,000

DUDLEY

LAUREL ROAD

- A traditional style three bed semi.
- Conveniently situated for Dudley town
- Lounge • Modern dining kitchen
- Conservatory
- Gas central heating
- Upvc double glazed
- Good sized private rear garden
- Block paved driveway.

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £102,000

PARKFIELDS

FIELDHOUSE ROAD

- A spacious ground floor flat
- Two double bedrooms
- Good sized Lounge.
- Kitchen • Bathroom
- Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Private rear garden
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £68,000

ETTINGSHALL PARK

SUTTON COURT

- A modern one bedroom first floor flat
- Convenient location for all amenities
- Good sized lounge and kitchen
- Bathroom and seperate wc
- Parking area
- Available immediately

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SEDGLEY

HIGH PARK CRESCENT

- Detached character residence in a most desirable loaction
- Lounge • Conservatory
- large kitchen opening into 2nd reception
- Four bedrooms and Loft room
- Ensuite to bedroom three
- Modern bathroom with walk in shower
- Garage with driveway parking
- Pleasant rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £269,950

UPPER GORNAL

BOTANY DRIVE

- A 3 Bed split level detatched property
- In a desirable area with beautiful open aspect views to the rear.
- A recently constructed luxury conservatory,
- Upvc double glazed windows,
- Gas central heating
- Garage & driveway providing.
- Viewing is highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £239,950

LOWER GORNAL

FOXLANDS DRIVE

- A beautifully presented extended detached property.
- Two reception rooms
- Conservatory
- Breakfast kitchen and utility
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Four bedrooms & nursery room/study
- Ensuite and modern family bathroom
- Landscaped rear gardens
- Garage and block paved driveway

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £234,950

MILKING BANK

OSBERTON DRIVE

- On this popular development a detached property symapthetically extended to provide 4/5 bedrooms
- Two reception rooms • Breakfast kitchen
- Utility. • Guest cloakroom
- Ensuite to master bedroom
- Upvc double glazing to rear aspect.
- Delighful landscaped rear gardens

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £220,000

LOWER GORNAL

THE STRAITS

- An impressive detached bungalow on a corner plot
- Three bedrooms & bathroom
- Extension with bed 4 and shower room
- Lounge, breakfast kitchen, utility
- Well tended gardens
- Garage with worshop at rear
- No upward chain

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £209,950

LOWER GORNAL

THE STRAITS

- A delightful modern detached family home
- Lounge and dining kitchen
- Conservatory
- Four spacious bedrooms
- Bathroom with seperate shower cubicle
- Guest cloakroom
- Garage and block paved driveway

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £204,950

GORNAL WOOD

LOUISE STREET

- Detached Commercial premises
- Office/shop with display window
- Rear office with seperate entrance
- Self contained first floor flat
- Large parking area to rear approx 2,600 sq ft
- Ample parking for up to 10 cars
- Potential for further development (subject to planning)

OFFER IN THE REGION OF £195,000

SEDGLEY

QUEENS ROAD

- An ideal traditional style family home
- Close to Sedgley Centre & schools
- Lounge & seperate dining room
- Extended breakfast kitchen
- Utility , guest wc and cloakroom
- Three bedrooms with fitted wardrobes
- Garage. • Good sized rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £187,500

COSELEY

IVYHOUSE LANE

- A beautifully presented link detached
- Two reception rooms and conservatory
- Modern extended dining kitchen, utility
- Guest cloakroom • Modern bathroom
- Four bedrooms, two with fitted furniture
- Block paved driveway,parking 3/4 cars
- Garage. • Private rear garden
- Viewing highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £169,950

COSELEY

LANGLEY AVENUE

- A generously proportioned three bed detached
- Extended and enhanced throughout
- Lounge and dining room
- Breakfast kitchen & utility
- Guest cloakroom
- Rear garden with feature decked area
- Garage and driveway parking
- Viewing highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £169,950

COSELEY

THE CRUCIBLE

- A stylish detached in a quiet cul-de-sac location
- Open plan dining room with modern kitchen
- Lounge • Conservatory
- Guest cloakroom
- Three double bedrooms
- Ensuite to master bedroom
- Garage

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £169,500

ETTINGSHALL PARK

FARRINGTON ROAD

- An extended traditional "Muklow "style house
- Lounge and spacious dining room
- Kitchen. • Cloakroom
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Garage. Pleasant rear gardens
- No upward chain

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £164,950

LOWER GORNAL

OAKLAND DRIVE

- A well presented three bed semi-detached in a pleasant location with easy access to Gornal village and Himley country Park
- Extended to the rear providing excellent sized living space
- Lounge/dining room 22' x 16'
- Gas central heating and partial double glazing
- Garage with workshop and potential for utility room
- Secluded rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £159500

ETTINGSHALL PARK

CRANBOURNE AVENUE

- A Mucklow style semi-detached
- High standard of accommodation, contemporary theme
- Two reception rooms
- Modern kitchen with integrated appliances
- Three double bedrooms
- Garage and driveway
- Excellent sized rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £157,500

LOWER GORNAL

WINSCAR CROFT

- Modern style semi , quiet cul-de-sac
- High standard of accommodation
- Extended living space
- Kitchen with dining area.
- Lounge and conservatory
- Three bedrooms, ensuite to master
- Garage part converted to storage space
- Parking for several cars
- Viewing highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £156,950

SEDGLEY

SANDYFIELDS ROAD

- Semi-detached dormer bungalow
- Desirable location with panoramic views to rear
- Two double bedrooms and dormer loft room
- Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Garage and driveway parking
- No upward chain

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £154,950

LOWER GORNAL

THE CLOSE

- A traditional style three bedroom semi
- Refurbished to a high standard
- Open-plan style dining kitchen
- Lounge • Side lobby extension
- Modern bathroom
- Driveway providing off road parking.
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGIONOF £124,950

COSELEY

YEW TREE LANE

- A traditional 3 Bed bay fronted semi
- Walking distance to Coseley station
- Lounge and dining room
- Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Double width garage.
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

REDUCED BY £14,000

REDUCED TO £121,000

COSELEY

GOLDBOROUGH CLOSE

- A modern three bed sem on a samll development
- Built approx 10 years ago,
- Quiet cul-de-sac location
- Modern Kitchen • Guest cloakroom
- Excellent size lounge with patio doors to private garden
- Off road parking
- Ideal first time buy

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £119,950

SEDGLEY

ARCAL STREET

- A ideal first time purchase
- Traditional style semi. close to Sedgley centre
- Open plan kitchen with dining area
- Good sized lounge with access to garden
- Three bedrooms • Newly refitted bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Garage and driveway parking

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £117,000

HURST HILL

HORACE STREET

- Ideal first time purchase/buy-to-let
- An end of terrace on a large plot
- Potential for extension /extensive parking
- Lounge • Breakfast kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £95,000

COSELEY

ANVIL CRESCENT

- Modern style townhouse
- Lounge • Breakfast kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Modern bathroom
- Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £92,500

DUDLEY

MEADOW ROAD

- Tradional style family home
- Excellent sized lounge
- 15' breakfast kitchen. • Store room
- Three bedrooms
- Modern bathroom, "P" shaped bath
- Sunny rear garden with feature decking
- Off road parking

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £90,000

UPPER GORNAL

QUARRY BROW

PUBLIC NOTICE
we are acting for the mortgagees and have received an offer of £82,500 on the above property.
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SEDGLEY

Dudley Road

An elegant, particularly distinctive late Victorian residence constructed to what appears to have been an outstanding specification circa 1894 exemplifying the 'arts & crafts' tastes with many fine period features, modernised in more recent years but now, again, requiring sympathetic restoration providing exceptionally flexible/spacious acccommodation with HUGE POTENTIAL. Accommodation includes imposing reception hall, cloaks, FOUR RECEPTION ROOMS (one with separate entrance), large breakfast kitchen, lofty 27ft conservatory, SIX BEDROOMS (one with en suite), bathroom, garden, DOUBLE BRICK GARAGE. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £344,950

KINGSWINFORD

2 Meadowsweet Way

Occupying a superb corner position, this BEAUTIFULLY IMPROVED 'DAVID PAYNE' DOUBLE FRONTED DETACHED FAMILY HOME forms the favoured and larger 'Buxton' style, offering a EXCEPTIONALLY SPACIOUS accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: entrance porch, reception hall, ground floor w.c, large attractive lounge, conservatory, separate dining room, attractively refitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, FOUR GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS (master with EN-SUITE) and house bathroom. With DRIVEWAY, TANDEM GARAGES and pleasant rear garden enjoying an OPEN REAR ASPECT. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £249,500 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

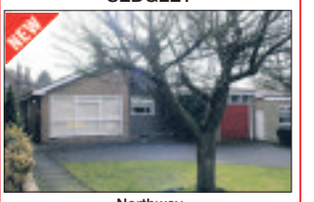
WORDSLEY

83a Arundel Road

Occupying a generous corner position, this SUBSTANTIAL AND INDIVIDUAL ARCHITECT DESIGNED DETACHED FAMILY HOME offers INCREDIBLY SPACIOUS and BEAUTIFULLY APPOINTED accommodation, comprising: reception hall, very spacious lounge, separate dining room, attractively fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, utility room, study, FOUR GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS (master with EN-SUITE), beautifully appointed house bathroom, GAS CENTRAL HEATING and UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. Enhanced by TWIN DRIVEWAYS + ADDITIONAL REAR PARKING / GARAGE and enjoying an attractively laid out rear garden. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £224,950

SEDGLEY



Northway

Enviably situated in favoured location, a conscientiously maintained, gas radiator centrally heated (combi boiler) detached bungalow WITH POTENTIAL occupying a fine plot with secluded rear garden. A personal inspection is considered vital to appreciate the size of the accommodation & scope available, and the property comprising; entrance porch, central L shape reception hall, cloaks, 21'9" living/dining room, kitchen, store, two double bedrooms, shower room (white suite), and a separate toilet. Outer lobby with further store, large 18'2" garage, gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £210,000

SEDGLEY

Northway

An attractive, ENLARGED & exceptionally well presented, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached enviably situated in favoured neighbourhood with good DISTANT VIEWS, and within walking distance of so many amenities/open fields. Superb much improved accommodation provides; entrance porch, traditional hall, elegant lounge with Living Flame gas fire, dining room, brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY, upgraded kitchen with 'beech' effect units and an upgraded utility room beyond. Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with a white suite. Large garage, professionally landscaped gardens to front & rear (designed for low maintenance). SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £199,950

SEDGLEY

Dumbleberry Avenue, Brownswall Estate

A quite exceptional, meticulously maintained & significantly ENLARGED, Freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached in favoured neighbourhood within walking distance of country park, schools, and so many other amenities. Outstanding accommodation includes; enlarged reception hall, lounge, dining room, brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY, enlarged/refitted kitchen with a range of "Old English Cream" finish units, & various integrated appliances, understairs vestibule (with access to garage). Two double bedrooms (both with a fine range of professionally installed units), and a large THIRD DOUBLE BEDROOM with en suite facility, reappointed bathroom with a white suite (chrome detailing). Garage, neat "low maintenance" rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £189,950

WORDSLEY

8 Dunsley Drive

Very pleasantly located within this small cul de sac upon Rectory Fields , this IMMACULATELY PRESENTED, MODERN SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME offers VERY VERSATILE SPLIT LEVEL ACCOMMODATION which is INCREDIBLY SPACIOUS and WELL APPOINTED, including WARM AIR CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, large lounge, dining kitchen, THREE BEDROOMS and bathroom with separate shower. Together with DRIVEWAY, GARAGE and LANDSCAPED TIERED REAR GARDEN which enjoys a PRIVATE REAR ASPECT. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £152,950

BRIERLEY HILL

Stourbridge Road

This three bedroomed, traditional styled, gas centrally heated and uPVC double glazed (vast majority), link detached residence has a versatile layout of accommodation which includes a self contained basement with two rooms. The property comprises: hall, lounge, open plan re-fitted kitchen/diner, transverse conservatory, utility area, ground floor shower room with wc, three bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, good sized garden to rear with far reaching views, driveway. Viewing is recommended. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265.

Offers around £149,995

WALL HEATH VILLAGE

7 Victoria Street

Superbly located just a short distance from the heart of Wall Heath village with its excellent range of shops and amenities, this SPACIOUS, TRADITIONAL DOUBLE FRONTED SEMI-DETACHED BUNGALOW requires updating but offers considerable potential, comprising: reception hall, well proportioned lounge, dining kitchen, rear veranda, TWO BEDROOMS, bathroom, GAS CENTRAL HEATING and PART DOUBLE GLAZING. With attractive foregarden, DRIVEWAY and FANTASTIC SIZED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £149,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

WOLVERHAMPTON

Tern Close, Ettingshall Park

TREMENDOUS POTENTIAL! A Freehold, double glazed semi detached requiring comprehensive renovation/improvement works set in short cul-de-sac upon periphery of Ettingshall Park within walking distance of so many amenities & "The Beacon" open space. The accommodation includes; reception hall, store, lounge, dining room, kitchen. Three bedrooms, bathroom. Block paved driveway to former garage, neat garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £129,950

KINGSWINFORD

81 Rowan Rise

This SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED AND ATTRACTIVELY RE-APPOINTED, TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME is well placed close to the heart of Kingswinford and offers GENEROUSLY PROPORTIONED accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, PART UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, spacious lounge, enlarged & beautifully refitted dining kitchen, side hallway / utility / office, ground floor w.c, THREE EXCELLENT SIZED BEDROOMS and refitted bathroom. With TARMAC DRIVEWAY and patio / lawned rear garden. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £119,950

KINGSWINFORD

130 Kingsley Road

Superbly located towards the woodland fringe of Kingsley Road, approached off Cot Lane in this highly respected mature address, this TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE offers a GENEROUSLY PROPORTIONED LAYOUT of accommodation, including A GAS CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: enlarged reception hall, ground floor w.c, full depth lounge with dining area, inner hall, fitted kitchen, TWO GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS, office / study area, superb loft and refitted bathroom. Set back beyond the TARMAC DRIVEWAY with double gated side access to the LOW MAINTENANCE REAR GARDEN, which enjoys an ATTRACTIVE OPEN REAR ASPECT. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £119,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

BRIERLEY HILL

Amblecote Road

Rarely available to purchase, and being much improved by the current vendors is this 2 bedroomed semi detached cottage, offering gas centrally heated and majority upvc double glazed accommodation and being ideally suited to the first time buyer. Layout comprising, lounge , refitted kitchen diner , timber conservatory, 2 first floor bedrooms, refitted bathroom, garden area with vehicular access to rear, must be seen. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £117,950

DUDLEY

Pearce Close

Rarely available to purchase is this modern style 2 bedroomed gas centrally heated semi detached property ideally suited to the first time buyer and comprising, hall, lounge/diner, kitchen, 2 first floor bedrooms, bathroom, garden to rear, driveway, must be seen. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £97,950

DUDLEY

St. George's Road

A traditionally styled 3 bedroomed mid town house with gas centrally heated accommodation which comprises, hall thru lounge, kitchen/diner, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, garden area to rear and parking to the front, realistically priced. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £89,950

COSELEY

Rounds Hill Road

This ground floor, gas centrally heated, flat would now ideally benefit from cosmetic improvement and updating and is suitable for cash buyers only. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two good bedrooms, wet room & a rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £52,950

LOWER GORNAL

Straits Green

NO UPWARD CHAIN. An absolutely outstanding, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed EXTENDED detached enviably situated in favoured backwater within walking distance of country park/schools/village centre. Presented in exemplary order throughout, the accomodation includes imposing reception hall, fitted cloakroom & further cloaks cupboard, elegant lounge, separate dining room with french doors out to the garden, refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units & many integrated appliances. Three double bedrooms (principal bedroom with fitted units & reappointed shower room en suite with white/chrome fittings), reappointed bathroom with white suite incorporating 'whirlpool' bath & chrome details. Large garage with utility/office/music room beyond, parking, neat/secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £239,950

KINGSWINFORD

502 High Street

A VERY LARGE AND SUBSTANTIALLY EXTENDED DOUBLE FRONTED DETACHED BUNGALOW which has been, in recent years, EXPENSIVELY, BEAUTIFULLY AND THOUGHTFULLY RENOVATED throughout, now providing ready to move into accommodation, all being EXTREMELY SPACIOUS and WELL PROPORTIONED throughout including: reception hall, splendid large lounge, separate formal dining room, beautifully refitted and extended kitchen with integrated appliances, separate utility room, guests cloaks/w.c., THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and luxury refitted bathroom, GAS CENTRAL HEATING and DOUBLE GLAZING. The property is further enhanced by the VERY LONG SIDE DRIVEWAY which leads to the LARGE PARKING AREA, a VERY LARGE WORKSHOP/STORE/POTENTIAL GARAGE and with a attractively landscaped garden. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: Offers Around £219,950

DUDLEY

Priory Close

An attractive, conscientiously maintained, and ENLARGED, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed interwar detached of character in favoured cul-de-sac just off The Broadway. There are a number of period features (N.B. lofty ceiling heights, panelled doors/picture rails), and the accommodation provides; glazed porch, reception hall, understairs store, lounge with bay, separate dining room with bay, upgraded breakfast kitchen, utility room, lobby, separate toilet. Three bedrooms (one with wardrobes), bathroom, separate toilet. Gated driveway to garage, secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £199,950

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COSELEY

Quilter Close, Hurst Hill

Constructed to an exemplary specification (by original developer for a member of his family), a particularly spacious/highly individual, freehold, gas centrally heated and uPVC double glazed detached bungalow set in quiet 'backwater' adjacent to adopted open space. With security gates and an extensive brick/block driveway approach, the accommodation includes imposing reception hall, elegant living room with patio doors, well equipped kitchen with various fitted appliances and laundry. THREE BEDROOMS (Bedroom 1 with shower room en suite & Bedroom 2 currently used as separate dining room), bathroom, garage, extensive brick/block parking area and a delightful landscaped rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £194,950

SEDGLEY

Ferndown Avenue

An EXTENDED & conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached enviably situated in favoured district within walking distance of country park, so many amenities & schools, etc. Accommodation provides enlarged entrance vestibule, reception hall, lounge, extended 16'5" dining room, kitchen, pantry, breakfast room, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage. Delightful well stocked secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950

KINGSWINFORD

132 Booth Close

An EXTREMELY DECEPTIVE and SUBSTANTIALLY EXTENDED MODERN DORMER SEMI-DETACHED HOUSE which enjoys a delightful cul de sac location upon the fringes of sought after Crestwood Park , offering a BEAUTIFULLY RE-APPOINTED and MOST ATTRACTIVELY DECORATED layout of EXTREMELY SPACIOUS accommodation which includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: reception hall, large full width lounge, luxury refitted kitchen, large dining room/second sitting room extension, refitted bathroom, TWO/THREE EXCELLENT BEDROOMS, the master having LUXURY EN SUITE SHOWER ROOM. The property is set back beyond the low maintenance front garden with DRIVEWAY, GARAGE and a BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED SUNNY REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £146,950

WOODSETTON

Woodsetton Close

A conscientiously maintained, significantly modernised & improved, Freehold,gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed semi detached in quiet cul de sac with secluded well tended rear garden. Accommodation includes enlarged entrance porch, inner hallway, stylish living room, transverse dining kitchen with a fine range of units (patio doors out to garden), three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite, garage, ample parking.SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £145,950

SEDGLEY

Brownswall Road

NO UPWARD CHAIN. This traditional style, EXTENDED, uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated, three bedroomed semi detached home is situated in a much favoured residential location. The surprisingly spacious property would ideally benefit from some cosmetic enhancement, and briefly comprises; entrance porch, hall, extended living room, dining room, kitchen. Three bedrooms, shower room with separate W.C.. Larger than average garage, driveway and a lawned rear garden. . SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Price: £144,950

LOWER GORNAL

Oakland Drive

NO UPWARD CHAIN. An EXTENDED, significantly modernised/improved, freehold, gas centrally heated & UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED semi detached in popular cul de sac within walking distance of so many amenities & open fields. Accommodation includes double glazed entrance porch, reception hall, superb 28ft through living/dining room (possibilities of sub-division), upgraded kitchen with oven, hob & filter, pantry, three bedrooms (two with wardrobes) bathroom, block paved foregarden/drive to brick garage, rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £142,950

SEDGLEY

Whitesmith Close

Comparatively spacious, gas centrally heated & double glazed, GROUND FLOOR Apartment forming part of a small development overseen by the Accord Housing Association for owners aged 55 & over with visiting manager facility, and many excellent design features. Enviably situated just off Mill Bank and within immediate walking distance of Sedgley's Bull Ring, and the accommodation provides; 17 ft living/dining room, kitchen, inner hallway, two double bedrooms, bathroom. Gated parking, communal grounds. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £135,950

NR. LOWER GORNAL

Whinberry Rise, 'Badgers Rise'

This beautifully presented, uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated semi detached home is 'tucked away' at the head of a cul de sac and may particularly appeal to first time buyers or young families. The conscientiously maintained accommodation comprises entrance hall, guest w.c., stylish living room, refitted kitchen, CONSERVATORY, two good bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite, driveway, garage & low maintenance rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £134,950

KINGSWINFORD

30 Sunnymede Road

This SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED AND ATTRACTIVELY PRESENTED, MODERN SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME is very well placed within this sought after location and offers a VERSATILE and GENEROUSLY PROPORTIONED LAYOUT of accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, very spacious lounge with dining area, attractively refitted kitchen with integrated appliances, inner hall, utility room, bedroom 4 / separate dining room / children s playroom, THREE GOOD SIZED FIRST FLOOR BEDROOMS and classic white bathroom. Gently elevated and set back beyond the front lawn, together with the BLOCK PAVED DRIVEWAY and enjoying a GOOD SIZED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £129,950

LOWER GORNAL

Kingham Close

COMPETIVELY PRICED, a most conveniently situated & conscientiously maintained, Freehold, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZED & gas centrally heated (recent combi boiler) detached within walking distance of so many amenities. Individually designed accommodation includes; porch, entrance hall, fitted cloakroom, through lounge, breakfast kitchen, pantry. Three bedrooms (two with wardrobes), reappointed bathroom with a fitted white suite. Garage, wider than average secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £129,950

WOODSETTON

Oakfield Avenue, Bramford Estate

An attractive, ENLARGED, freehold, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED & gas centrally heated semi detached in short/quiet cul de sac requiring a little sympathetic updating. Accommodation provides entrance porch, reception hall, lounge with 'living flame' feature fireplace & a bay, sitting room, kitchen, 'wet/shower room'. Three bedrooms, bathroom, outer store, neat garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £124,950

COSELEY

Kenelm Road

An EXTENDED, tremendously modernised, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed inter-war semi detached of character in quiet/very convenient cul de sac. Accommodation provides enlarged porch, reception hall, pantry, 24'8" through lounge/dining room (formerly separate rooms) with bay & patio doors, extended/refitted 17'5" kitchen with oven, hob & extractor, fridge & freezer. Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite & shower. Block paved foregarden, potential garage space, neat secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £122,000

SEDGLEY

Lauder Close, Northway

A competitively priced, SURPRISING SPACIOUS, freehold, uPVC double glazed & part gas radiator centrally heated end 'family home' in well regarded district convenient for so many amenities & well regarded school. Conscientiously maintained accommodation includes outer porch (with store), reception hall, fitted cloakroom, upgraded 17ft breakfast kitchen with a range of 'light beech' effect units, transverse lounge (with patio doors out to garden), THREE BEDROOMS (two with wardrobes), reappointed tiled bathroom with white contemporary suite, off road parking, neat rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £109,950

QUARRY BANK

Maughan Street

Set in this established residential location, close to all local facilities is this neatly presented, gas centrally heated and part double glazed 3 bedroomed traditional styled semi detached property which has been sensibly priced. Accommodation is seen to comprise, inner hall, lounge, kitchen diner, 3 first floor bedrooms, bathroom, garden to the rear with log cabin, ideally suited to the young family or first time buyer. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £109,950

KINGSWINFORD

20 Surrey Drive

This ATTRACTIVE AND SPACIOUS, MODERN TWO BEDROOM HOUSE enjoys a very pleasant setting just off Auckland Road, with the generous layout within including front entrance to HALL, SPLENDID 13 5 x 12 9 LOUNGE, combined Dining Room-with-well appointed Kitchen, TWO SPLENDID FIRST FLOOR BEDROOMS plus attractive pastel cream Bathroom and UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. Generous forecourt with DESIGNATED PARKING ALONGSIDE and maintained lawned gardens to the rear. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £104,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

KINGSWINFORD

92 Nanaimo Way

A TRADITIONAL SEMI DETACHED HOUSE which is superbly located within this popular address AVAILABLE WITH NO UPWARD CHAIN and offering a SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED layout of SPACIOUS accommodation which requires some updating, comprising: entrance porch, reception hall, full width lounge, separate dining room, 21 side hall, kitchen with built in appliances, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS, shower room, GAS CENTRAL HEATING and UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. The property is set back beyond the low maintenance frontage including SHARED SIDE TARMAC DRIVEWAY leading to GARAGE and to the rear offering a DELIGHTFUL LEVEL ENCLOSED GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £101,500

SEDGLEY

North One Mews, Northway

A comparatively spacious and well appointed gas centrally heated, uPVC double glazed SECOND FLOOR FLAT constructed by renowned local builders, David Payne Homes, circa 2004 and covered by remainder of NHBC guarantee. Enjoying PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS from both front and rear elevations and set in a well regarded neighbourhood convenient for so many amenities, there is an 'entry phone' style security system and the accommodation includes hall, boiler cupboard, well equipped kitchen with a fine range of beech finish units, integrated oven, hob & extractor, well proportioned lounge, two bedrooms (principal bedroom with fitted wardrobes & shower room en suite), bathroom with white suite, communal lawned grounds, allocated parking. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £99,950

KINGSWINFORD

17 Mimosa Walk

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•Three Storey End Townhouse•Two/Three Bedrooms•Bedroom Three/Study•Jack & Jill En-Suite•Lounge•Fitted Kitchen•GCH System•Double Glazing Where Stated•Ground Floor Cloakroom•Garage•Drive

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TIVIDALE

OAK CRESCENT

•Three Bedroom Bay Fronted Detached •Two Reception Rooms •Extended Fitted Kitchen •Bathroom Having White Suite •Gas Central Heated System •Double Glazed Where Stated •Rear Garden •Driveway •Garage •Viewing Recommended

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•A Detached Residence•Three Bedrooms•Through Lounge/Dining Room•Kitchen•Ground Floor Cloakroom•Garage To Rear•Driveway

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•Two Bedroom Semi Detached•Lounge•Fitted Kitchen•Conservatory•Double Glazing Where Stated•Driveway

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IVY ROAD

•An Improved Mid Terraced•Three Bedrooms•Lounge•Kitchen Diner•Bathroom Upstairs•Ground Floor Shower Room•Gas Central Heating System,Double Glazing Where Stated•Driveway•Rear Garden

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BOWLING GREEN RD

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£130,000 DUDLEY ✆ 01384 455000

TIPTON

OXFORD WAY

•Three Bedroom Semi Detached•Lounge•Fitted Kitchen Diner•Ground Floor Cloakroom•Gas Central Heating System•Double Glazing Where Stated•Driveway•Rear Garden

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NEW **TIVIDALE**

TEMPLE WAY

•A Detached Property•Three Bedrooms•Lounge•Dining Room•Kitchen•Gas Central Heating System•Double Glazing Where Stated•Garage•Block Paved Driveway

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WEDNESBURY OAK

LESLIE DRIVE

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ZOAR STREET

•First Floor Flat•One Bedroom•Fitted Kitchen•Lounge•Bathroom•Rear Garden•Gas Central Heating•Double Glazing

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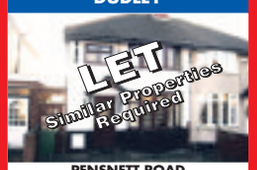

PENSNETT ROAD

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TIVIDALE

BIRCH CRESCENT

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TO LET **TIVIDALE**

ALEXANDRA WAY

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NEW INSTRUCTION

A one bedroom ground floor apartment with hallway, lounge, fitted kitchen, bathroom, communal gardens and allocated parking

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NEW PRICE

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£96,950

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NEW PRICE

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79,950

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NEW INSTRUCTION

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TIVIDALE Asquith Drive

TO LET

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NEW

BROCKMOOR

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Offers around £84,950

REDUCED

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HOLLY HALL

PENSNETT ROAD

This superbly presented, stylishly refurbished Traditional 3 Bedroomed Semi-Detached residence provides spacious gas centrally heated and Upvc double glazed accomodation ideal for the discerning young family and is very conveniently positioned close to Russells Hall Hospital. Viewing highly recommended with Reception Hall, attractive Lounge, superb refitted Dining Kitchen with built-in oven and hob and integrated fridge and freezer, 3 excellent Bedrooms, sumptuous reappointed Bathroom with shower, pleasant good sized rear Gardens with pleasant outlook and driveway for two cars to the front.

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Meet the hybrid diesel with plenty of promise

By Iain Dooley

THE CONCEPT of a hybrid vehicle is no longer new. We have Toyota to thank for the broad acceptance of cars that run on electric as well as petrol power. However, it's the choice of engine that has put some people off.

Petrol power is fine if the fuel is cheap. This goes someway to explaining why Toyota – and Honda – hybrids have been so successful in North America.

Sadly our 'special relationship' has yet to extend to convincing our cousins across the water that diesel is better.

And that's why diesel hybrids have been absent from the price lists; the American market is the biggest and the most influential.

That's about to change, however, with the introduction of Peugeot's 3008 Hybrid4.

Based on a standard 3008, Peugeot has connected an electric powertrain to the car's rear wheels.

In an instant you've got an all-wheel drive family crossover vehicle, but you've also got a car that can travel for a mile or so on electric power alone.

In the right conditions it will also pull away from rest in electric mode, reducing the amount of fuel you use and boosting throttle response.

So how does it all work? In simple terms the 3008 Hybrid4 packs a conventional four-cylinder diesel motor under its bonnet. In this case, it's Peugeot's higher-output 163 horsepower unit.

At the back is the aforementioned electric motor arrangement. This motor can deliver up to the equivalent of 37 horsepower.

The battery pack is automatically charged without the need to plug it in somewhere like with a conventional electric vehicle.

The regenerative process happens when you're off the throttle, and is most obvious from the stronger than usual engine braking – around town it's noticeable that you need to use the brakes less when coasting to a stop. The two power units' connection with the real world is by Peugeot's clutchless manual gearbox.

This will be a familiar unit to Peugeot fans and, while it does have its quirks, with the addition of electric power the automated gear changes feel smoother than in a conventional car.

Out on the road, the 3008 Hybrid4 behaves almost like a regular 3008.

The immediate tell-tale sign is when you turn the key, as not much happens in the noise department.

Whine

With the default start-up mode electric, it's possible to pull away with just the distant whine of the electric motor.

If the car detects more power is required, the diesel engine fires into life.

From then on, it's just like driving a diesel-powered 3008, that is until you stop as that's when the engine stops.

Move off and, if there's enough battery charge, you'll power away in electric mode and start the automatic power-juggling cycle again. If there's one thing the hybrid variant does share with its conventional 3008 cousin, it's a rotary controller allowing you to change transmission modes.

To counter the need for a genuinely costly all-wheel drive system, Peugeot adopted a traction control system dubbed Grip Control. The Hybrid4 model goes a step further; you can switch between all electric (EV), power, auto and 4x4 modes.

Of course, 'forcing' the car into EV mode will only last for as long as there's sufficient charge in the battery, which means driving gently to achieve the 'couple of miles' goal.

The flipside is the power mode, which unleashes everything the 3008 has for maximum acceleration and performance, while the 4x4 mode engages the rear axle for added traction on slippery grass and muddy tracks.

Predictably, leaving the car in the auto mode seems to work well during general driving duties.

The technical competence demonstrated by the 3008 Hybrid4 is but one element of its appeal.

Peugeot readily admits that its focus is on company car drivers as, with the base specification car outputting 99g/km CO2, the tax benefits will be attractive. Also, there's the ability to offset the full cost of the car against company profits in the first year of ownership.

Not bad for a five-seat, 200 horsepower high-rise hatchback with the same kit as a regular 3008 plus Peugeot's recently improved build quality and premium cabin ambience.

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The new Fiat Panda goes on sale this month. There is a choice of three models – Pop, Easy and Lounge

There are high hopes for Fiat's new Panda motor

THE NEW Fiat Panda range will start at less than £9,000 when it goes on sale at the end of the month.

At £8,900 on the road, the entry-level five-door Panda Pop is comparable to its rivals. The price will rise to £12,250 for a range-topping diesel Lounge model. The third, mid-range trim option is called Easy.

There will also be three familiar engine choices to begin with, including a 69bhp 1.2-litre, the brilliant 0.9-litre 84bhp TwinAir two-cylinder turbo, and a 75bhp 1.3-litre MultiJet diesel.

Standard kit on basic Pop models includes electric windows, central locking, electric power steering, four airbags and body-coloured bumpers. ESP is not standard, though, and would need to be added as an optional extra.

Upgrading to Easy trim brings remote central locking, air conditioning, roof rails and a better stereo, while finally Lounge receives heated electric mirrors, 15-in alloy wheels, front fog lamps, body-coloured mirrors, door handles and side mouldings.

Collision

The options list allows for two more airbags to be added, as well as a low-speed collision mitigation system that brakes the car automatically at less than 18.6mph if the forward-facing sensors detect an imminent impact.

Fiat is gunning for results in allowing customers to personalise the Panda to a very high degree. The options list is long, but buyers might find that the overall cost can escalate quickly.

"I'm delighted that we remain highly competitive against our key rivals in this small car sector," says Elena Bernardelli, marketing director at Fiat Group Automobiles UK.

"We are particularly good value when you take into consideration the levels of equipment offered in standard specification across the range."

There are better-equipped cars in the price bracket, however, which may have more appeal to buyers' minds. Fiat is likely to be hoping that the new Panda's cute styling wins hearts instead.

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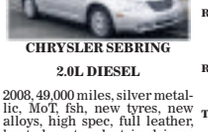

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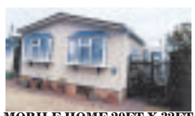

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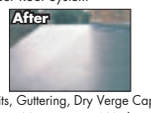

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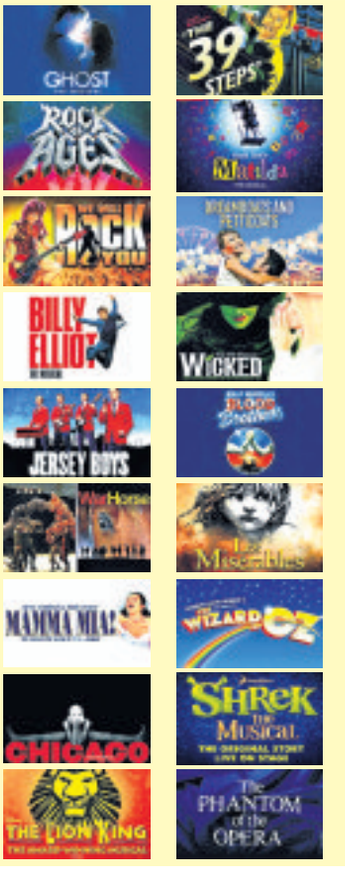

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OLD HALESONIANS Mixed XI went out of the England Hockey Mixed Trophy in the first round after losing a penalty shoot-out.

The home team worked hard both on and off the pitch, clearing the surface of overnight snow to ensure Sunday's game could go ahead.

The game started with good passages of play from both sides, who were showcasing the best of their men's and ladies' teams. Hales soon took the lead in sublime fashion. Striker Jim Gurmin received the ball at the top of the D, under pressure from the diving Shrewsbury keeper whom he lobbed to make it 1-0.

At half-time captain Paul Woodall substituted himself which left the home side vulnerable in defence. Shrewsbury capitalised with three quick goals, one of them after an error by goalkeeper James Jones. He misjudged a through ball from Shrewsbury which rebounded off the post, leaving the visiting striker with an easy tap-in. The home side then faced a mountain to climb. Hales' Stacey Twist cut the deficit when her wonder strike made it 3-2.

Hales then equalised when the umpire awarded the home side a penalty stroke.

Chris Whiley duly stepped up and powered the shot into the top corner.

The game was turning into a thriller, and with both teams tiring chances were coming quick and often for both sides. Shrewsbury took the lead again with 10 minutes remaining, when the Hales defence were left outnumbered. Two minutes later Gurmin grabbed his second of the game to leave the sides all-square.

With both teams in high spirits, the thrilling fixture would be decided through the cruel lottery of penalty strokes.

In the best of five penalty strokes, both teams scored their first three, with Paul Woodall, Laura Underhill and Doug Houghton all finding the net for the home side.

Twist then had her effort saved, but Hales keeper Jones was able to save the next Shrewsbury effort.

At 3-3 after four strokes, Whiley stepped up to take Hales' final penalty.

After dispatching his earlier penalty stroke so confidently, it seemed certain that his effort would find the net.

However, Whiley flicked the ball high over the goal to go from hero to villain.

Shrewsbury then scored their final penalty stroke to bring the game to an end.

Old Hales performed excellently and were gracious in defeat, part of a great spectacle for England Hockey.

High five despite loss of striker

Stourbridge 5 Bashley 0

STOURBRIDGE returned to winning ways with a convincing home success.

Despite the loss of top scorer Ryan Rowe to Kidderminster Harriers, Stourbridge ended up with five different goalscorers.

They had the better of the early chances with Sam Rock going close on 12 minutes but his close-range header was kept out by keeper Stewart Kearn.

The Glassboys' efforts paid off on 21 minutes as Leon Broadhurst marked his 399th appearance with the opening goal. Paul McCone laid the ball inside to Aaron Drake and his telling cross was headed against the bar by Broadhurst who then turned in the loose ball.

After 58 minutes Sean Geddes swept the ball out to Rock whose shot struck Kearn's left-hand post and was bundled in by Ben Billingham.

Four minutes later Aaron Drake headed to John Griffin who slipped in the third. Rock and substitute Lindon Dovey also scored.

Yeltz gain point after six losses

Thatcham 0 Halesowen 0

A STALEMATE at out-of-form Thatcham was enough to earn Halesowen their first Evo-Stik Southern Division One South & West point since December.

Good chances proved at a premium all afternoon with tentative Thatcham without a win in 10 league games and Halesowen nursing an equally poor run of six straight defeats.

After a quiet opening, Carl Self's overhead kick forced Yeltz goalkeeper Paul Evans to back-pedal and tip the ball over in the 26th minute.

Midfielder Marcus Jackson made his Halesowen debut and his dangerous cross was cut out by home keeper Paul Strudley.

Early in the second period Evans gathered long-range efforts from Self and James Clark. But it was the Yeltz who looked more likely to snatch a winner and defender Mark Smith found space in the penalty area before volleying just wide in the 72nd minute.

Dashing DK run in four tries after long lay-off

DUDLEY KINGSWINFORD shrugged off the effects of almost a month of inactivity to overcome a competitive Longton side, outscoring the Potteries side by four tries to two.

Playing up the pronounced slope but with a stiff breeze at their backs, DK swept into a 19-0 lead in just 17 minutes, catching the home side cold in this National League Three Midlands encounter.

Although Longton mounted a spirited fightback with a late first-half try, they were unable to take advantage of the elements in the second half and DK were deserved winners.

Longton 10 Dudley Kingswinford 29

Scrum-half Jordan Brookes was out with a groin strain, replaced by Jon Higgins while Gareth Bown reverted to fly-half with Tom Weaver replacing him at outside centre.

Pete Knight and Dan Shakespeare returned to the back and front rows respectively in place of Adam Greaves and Rich Kelley.

Rich Kelley, Ian Langford and Nick Adams made up the DK bench.

Pressure

Knight was superb, relieving Longton of possession on numerous occasions. Bown provided some magical moments, especially the brilliant step and break to set up DK's fourth try which effectively killed off the home side's strong second-half challenge.

But the popular vote for DK Supporters' Man of the Match went to their ever-improving young hooker Luke Greenwood who had a fine game.

A constant thorn in Longton's side, he was always on hand in the loose to tackle or forage forward and with the added ability to make incisive breaks on a regular basis. DK took the lead after only two minutes.

A good call blind from Bown saw the fly-half feed Stefan Shillingford who sent in James Jefferson at the corner for a 5-0 lead.

The visitors made all the early running and went further ahead on 14 minutes when No.8 Tom Bissell picked up and passed to Higgins whose short, sharp pass was taken at pace by Bown who shot through the cover to the posts. Higgins added the conversion to make it 12-0. Three minutes later Longton lost possession in midfield and a 50m break from Shillingford saw him give Weaver the scoring pass in a two on one situation, Higgins again converting as DK raced away to a 19-0 advantage.

Longton managed to keep the visitors from scoring again before half-time and even reduced the arrears with a 35th-minute try from centre Scott Rawlins who got on the end of a slick passing move to touch down.

With the strong breeze behind them, Longton applied their first concerted period of pressure of the game for a full 10 minutes or so in the second period.

DK, however, were well up for the task and held the home side relatively comfortably before gradually coming back strongly into the game.

After 55 minutes Bown executed an exquisite step followed by a surging 50m break through the heart of the Longton cover to set up Shillingford for the bonus point fourth try.

Higgins added the extras for 26-5 and then slotted a 66th-minute penalty to seal the win, leaving the home side more than three converted tries adrift.

Longton kept plugging away and had the last word with a second try after 70 minutes when a good break in the centre took play into the DK 22 where winger Alex George received a scoring pass to cross in the corner for an unconverted score.

A very good result for DK against traditionally formidable opponents.

Lions on the prowl in Senior Vase

Lions prop Jim Owen, who grabbed three tries against Cleobury Mortimer

STOURBRIDGE Lions, the amateur arm of Stourbridge RFC, are looking forward to their day in the spotlight this weekend.

While the Saxons battle for National League One survival, the Lions play their postponed National Senior Vase semi-final at home to Sleaford on Saturday. The match was postponed a fortnight ago by winter's icy grip, but now the Lions stand just two games from a Twickenham final. Kick-off is 3pm and admission is free.

As an aperitif for early arrivals, Stourbridge Lions seconds and thirds are also in home action with derby games against Bromsgrove thirds and Upton on Severn seconds respectively, both at 2.15pm.

A pre-game meal is available at the club. Call the club office on 01384 395000 for details.

Curzon's penalty corner cracker

Old Halesonians 1 Finchfield 1

OLD Hales firsts suffered another disappointing result after a last-minute equaliser from Finchfield.

The home side, who have been lacking confidence in recent weeks, found their way in front shortly into the second half when Mark Curzon found the net from a penalty corner.

Soon after, Tom Bulteel was yellow-carded for failing to retreat five metres from a Finchfield free-hit.

Hales held out until the dying moments when Finchfield scored from a similar penalty corner routine.

Old Halesonians Ladies 3 Worcester 0

Old Hales Ladies beat bottom team Worcester with a well-drilled team performance. Bianca Homer hit an excellent hat-trick to keep up the promotion fight.

Worcester 0 Old Halesonians 1

Old Hales seconds faced their hardest challenge at top club Worcester, who dominated the first half but struggled to break through.

Late in the second half, Hales sensed a hard fought away win, and when the ball broke to makeshift forward Jake Brooke, his reverse aerial was controlled and finished fantastically by debutant James Bayley.

Shrewsbury 7 Old Halesonians 0

Missing several regular players, Hales struggled against an exceptionally strong Shrewsbury side.

Old Halesonians 8 Stratford 0

Old Hales thirds hammered their nearest promotion rivals, avenging an earlier defeat at Stratford.

It took Adam Hill only 11 minutes into his return to score after some excellent play by Matt Harrold.

From then on there was only one team in it, as Harrold completed a hat-trick of assists by setting up Steve Butler and Charles Palmer to put Old Hales 3-0 up.

Palmer grabbed a second and then Hales scored their fifth just before half time, with some precise finishing from Steve Butler. Damien Shackleton and Hill made it 7-0 before Palmer completed his hat-trick.

Old Wulfs 0 Old Halesonians 9

Old Hales fourths stormed to victory against an Old Wulfrunians side that have yet to score a point this season.

A great team effort led Hales to dominate the fixture and display their talents.

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Connor in frame for game at Tyneside

WOLVES caretaker boss Terry Connor has been told to prepare the team for Saturday's clash at Newcastle.

Initially, the club had being confident of appointing Mick McCarthy's successor in time for the Tyneside trip. But Connor, 49, who is being assisted by development coach Steve Weaver and the backroom staff, has been told by chief executive Jez Moxey to continue preparations with a view to being at the helm for the trip to the north east – subject to an early appointment.

"It was a tough week for everyone last week," said Connor, who has been at Molineux for over 12 years, the last four-and-a-half as assistant manager to McCarthy. "The lads had to work hard to get through the following few days.

"They went away at the weekend and I asked them to reflect on what had happened and then come back with it being business as usual. Steve (Morgan, chairman) and Jez (Moxey, chief executive) have asked me to look after it. We'll be preparing the lads as usual for Saturday's game with Newcastle until told otherwise."

British Rally challenge for race duo

RALLY duo Clive King and Bob Ward hope their 21st season together will bring them the key to success in their latest restored car.

Woodsetton's King and Oldbury's Ward race in the Sunseeker Rally in Bournemouth this weekend – the opening round of the British Rally championship.

They hope to add their success in the Historic Challenge category, for cars made in the 1960s and 70s.

King brought a Cooper S back to life with painstaking restoration in the garage at home, after their last Mini was written off.

The crew have high hopes their new vehicle will pass and surpass their previous form of transportation and, with Ward co-driving, King echoed that sentiment.

He said: "It was only three months ago that I actually found the car. The previous Mini suffered an enormous amount of body damage on an event in north Wales.

"We dropped 100ft, end over end, down into a ravine."

I'm a believer says Heathens' Byron

by Nigel Pearson

DUDLEY HEATHENS new-boy Byron Bekker is predicting a big season for the speedway club.

The South African star flies back into the UK next week to step up preparations for his first season with the former Cradley outfit.

And he says the team assembled by club bosses has the appearance of a title-challenging side.

"I think we've got a good chance of winning something this season," he said. "We look really solid from top to bottom and we have that strength in depth which is great. The fans are desperate for us to do well and we know there will be some pressure on us but I feel certain the team has what it takes to be strong and competitive.

"You can't make any predictions at this stage because anything can happen in this sport. But there is certainly plenty of cause to be optimistic."

And Bekker is relishing the prospect of returning to the UK from his Johannesburg base.

He said : "I just can't wait to get back over to the UK, I can't remember the last time I felt this excited about a new season.

"I've been training hard physically to ensure I'm fully fit for the new season, my injury set me back last season and I want to be as strong as possible this time.

"I've been on a bike a couple of times over here but when I get back over to the UK I will try and get some laps in at Scunthorpe."

The Heathens open with tough home and away challenge matches against Stoke before defending their National League Shield over two legs in a classic match-up with Mildenhall. Dudley stage the prestigious British Under-21 championship at Monmore Green on April 24 while the other obvious highlight will be the Golden Hammer individual contest on July 10.

In between those two dates the focus will be on the Knockout Cup – and a revenge bid against Buxton, who beat them in that competition and the play-offs.

Fixtures (National League unless stated)

April: 3 Stoke, Ch (Home); 8 Mildenhall, NL Shield (Away), 14 Stoke, Ch (A), 17 Mildenhall, NL Shield (H), 24 British Under-21 Final (H).

May: 5 Rye House (A), 6 Buxton, NL Knockout Cup (A), 8 Buxton, NL Knockout Cup (H), 16 King's Lynn (A), 22 King's Lynn (H), 29 Scunthorpe (H).

June: 3 Buxton (A), 8 Scunthorpe (A), 12 Isle of Wight (H), 23 Stoke (A), 26 Buxton (H).

July: 3 Isle of Wight (A), 10 Golden Hammer Individual, 17 Reserved (H).

August: 7 Stoke (H), 19 Mildenhall (A), 21 Mildenhall (H), 28 Rye House (H).

September: 4 Reserved (H).

FIGHTING CHANCE WITH £50k GRANT

SEVEN years of hard graft by Dudley's Priory Park Amateur Boxing Club has been rewarded with £50,000 from Sport England to train the next generation of young fighters.

by Craig Birch

Head trainer Paul Gough was presented with the cheque at the club's base on Priory Road last Friday afternoon when Dudley North MP Ian Austin was also present.

Bosses plan to expand the site to nearly twice its original size and allow more youngsters to use the club. More than 100 are currently on the waiting list.

A second main room will provide an additional ring, more punch and speed bags, along with the capacity to hold more than one class at a time.

The bulk of the money had already been raised thanks to James Dickens, chief executive of Edgbaston-based property developers Hackett & James.

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Dickens will be using his influence to get the work done at the lowest possible price, helped by the cash from Sport England.

Priory Park ABC has been a part of the town since the late 1970s and Gough has seen it all since taking over in 1994, along with cousin Steve.

The 46-year-old described a scene of "leaking roof, split bags, a ring that was falling to bits and a sodden floor" when he first arrived.

He said: "Myself and the committee feel that this award is very beneficial to the development of the club and the wider community.

"It will enable us to extend the current gym, clear the existing waiting list and take on new members in the future.

"Our plans can now come to fruition. On behalf of the club, I would like to thank those who have contributed to this project."

Priory Park ABC has been churning out fighters for over 30 years and, since 2008, has been bridging the gap from amateur to pro ranks as well.

Dudley's Ryan Aston and Coseley's Tommy Ghent are their current leading lights, ex-amateurs from the club who now box for Matchroom Sport.

They are the men in the street for whom boxing is a way of life and MP Austin is delighted he has been able to work with them.

He said: "We have worked really hard to put this bid together and I'm really pleased Sport England are making this award.

"Paul Gough and his team do a fantastic job keeping youngsters fit and healthy, off the streets and out of trouble.

"Back in 2005, I promised the people of the Priory I would do all I could to help the club.

"It's taken seven years, but we will be able to double the number of youngsters getting involved."

Sport England facilities manager Ian Silvera, left, and MP Ian Austin hand the £50,000 cheque for improvements to Priory Park ABC head coach Paul Gough as other members of the club look on. *Picture: David Hamilton*

Robins get something to sing about now

Lye Town 0 Dudley Town 2

TWO late goals earned Dudley Town their first away victory of 2012.

The enforced two-week weather break had allowed Robins boss Andy Burgess to strengthen his injury-hit side with a trio of signings.

In came former Atherstone Town defender Jim Greenthorpe along with Brett McGilligan who had made a Friday night switch from Lye.

The two started on the bench while the third signing from Lithuanian Premier club FBK Kaunas, Martynas Normontas, was unavailable.

It didn't take long for Dudley to go close. A sixth-minute corner from Danny Ludlow rattled Steve Jackson's crossbar although the rebound was skied over.

Dudley's Rob Whitley had the best opportunity of the lot when he drove a loose ball wide of the post.

Scare

A fine cross-goal header from Alex Perry was parried wide by Lye keeper Steve Jackson after 62 minutes.

Dudley suffered a scare when Lye Town substitute Duane Darby broke free on the left and delivered a delightful ball into the path of Matt Webb whose shot could only rattle the home side's post.

But they deservedly took the lead on 75 minutes.

A fine low cross from Cox allowed Dreniz Bala to neatly set up Nikki Faux who made no mistake in neatly rolling the ball past Jackson for his ninth goal of the season.

The Robins got a deserved second goal on the brink of full-time.

A fine clearance from full-back Steve Edmunds let Bala break through and Dudley's leading scorer added to his tally.

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